



## So We Would Know

John 9:24-41

### Dealing with Spiritual Denial

**John 9:24** So for the second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, "Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner." **ESV**

1. Some people \_\_\_\_\_ to close their eyes to the evident power of God.
2. People choose to be blinded to the reality and evidence of God because:
  - a. They are \_\_\_\_\_ at God.
  - b. They are mad at "God's" \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c. They " \_\_\_\_\_ " God and it didn't work for them.
  - d. They have seen the \_\_\_\_\_ in the lives of other people who have claimed to be Christians.
  - e. They would have to admit they have been \_\_\_\_\_.
  - f. They would have to admit they are in need of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Some people choose spiritual blindness because of their current life \_\_\_\_\_.

**John 9:28** Then they cursed him and said, "You are His disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. <sup>29</sup> We know God spoke to Moses, but as for this Man, we don't know anything about Him." **NLT**

4. Some people have too much \_\_\_\_\_ in the wrong answer.
5. Change is difficult; not changing is \_\_\_\_\_.

6. Some people choose blindness because they have invested so much time and effort \_\_\_\_\_ on the wrong answer.

**Galatians 2:16** And yet we Jewish Christians know that we become right with God, not by doing what the law commands, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be accepted by God because of our faith in Christ — and not because we have obeyed the law. For no one will ever be saved by obeying the law." **NLT**

7. \_\_\_\_\_ and personal accomplishment are blinders to seeing that I need Jesus.

**John 9:30** "Why, that's very strange!" the man replied. "He healed my eyes, and yet you don't know anything about him!" <sup>31</sup> Well, God doesn't listen to sinners, but He is ready to hear those who worship Him and do His will. <sup>32</sup> Never since the world began has anyone been able to open the eyes of someone born blind. <sup>33</sup> If this man were not from God, He couldn't do it." <sup>34</sup> "You were born in sin!" they answered. "Are you trying to teach us?" And they threw him out of the synagogue. <sup>35</sup> When Jesus heard what had happened, He found the man and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" <sup>36</sup> The man answered, "Who is he, sir, because I would like to." <sup>37</sup> "You have seen Him," Jesus said, "and He is speaking to you!" <sup>38</sup> "Yes, Lord," the man said, "I believe!" And he worshiped Jesus. **NLT**

8. A key ingredient necessary in following Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ . I have to be able to admit I am in need.

<sup>39</sup> Then Jesus told him, "I have come to judge the world. I have come to give sight to the blind and to show those who think they see that they are blind." <sup>40</sup> The Pharisees who were standing there heard him and asked, "Are you saying we are blind?" <sup>41</sup> "If you were blind, you wouldn't be guilty," Jesus replied. "But you remain guilty because you claim you can see." **NLT**

**Matthew 6:24** "No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money." **NLT**

9. Whatever you choose to love more than God \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ to the hand of God in your life.