

- 2B The man born blind's simplification of the matter, 25: Therefore he answered and said, "Whether He is a sinner, I do not know. I know one thing. That I was blind, now I see!"
- 3B Their second questioning regarding the method of Jesus, 26: And they said to him again, "What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes?"
- 4B The man's answer and retort, 27: He answered them, "I told you already, and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear again? Do you also want to become his disciples?"
- 5B Their conclusive attitude and defense, vv.28-29:
 - 1C The attitude formation, 28a: Then they reviled him:
 - 2C Their comparison of themselves with him, 28b: and said, "You are His disciple. But we are disciples of Moses.
 - 3C Their comparison of Moses and Christ, 29: We know that God spoke to Moses, but this one we do not know His origin."
- 6B The man's insightful deduction, vv.30-33:
 - 1C The marvel of ignorance and results, 30: The man answered and said to them, "For there is a marvel in this, that you do not know where He is from, and He opened my eyes!
 - 2C Principle regarding God's faculty of (spiritual) listening, 31: Now we know that God does not hear sinners. But if anyone is devoted and does His will, God hears this one.
 - 3C A brief non-history of a certain miracle, 32: From eternity it was not heard that anyone opened the eyes of one born blind.
 - 4C Application of the principle and history, 33: If this one was not from God, he would be unable to do anything."
- 7B The spiteful last word of the Pharisees, 34: They answered and said to him, "You were born entirely in sin, and he teach us?" And they cast him out.

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John 9:13-34

1A The first questioning of the man born blind, vv.13-18:

- 1B** The procession to the Jewish leadership, 13: They led him who was formerly blind to the Pharisees.
- 2B** The day of the week of the making and healing, 14: Now it was the Sabbath when Jesus made the clay, and opened his eyes.
- 3B** The inquiry of the blind man, regarding method, 15: Therefore again the Pharisees also were asking him how he saw anew. And he said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see."
- 4B** The schism of the Pharisees regarding Jesus, 16: Therefore some of the Pharisees were saying, "This man is not from God, because He did not keep the Sabbath." Others were saying, "How is a sinful man able to do such signs?" And a schism was among them.
- 5B** The questioning of the blind man, regarding Jesus, 17: They said again to the blind man, "What are you saying about Him, that He opened your eyes?" And he said, "He is a prophet."
- 6B** Conclusion: the temporary unbelief of the Jews, 18: Therefore the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he was blind and saw again, until they called the parents of him who saw anew.

2A The questioning of the parents, vv.19-23:

- 1B** Identity and method, 19: And they asked them, saying, "Is this your son, of whom you say that he was born blind? Therefore how does he now see?"
- 2B** Their answers, vv.20-21a:
 - 1C** 20 And his parents answered and said, "We know that he is our son, and that he was born blind. 21a And how he now sees, we do not know, or who opened his eyes, we do not know.
 - 2C** Their dodge, 21b: He has age, ask him, He will speak for himself."
 - 3C** The reason for their dodge, vv.22-23:
 - 1D** Explanation, 22: These things his parents said, because they feared the Jews. For the Jews already had agreed, that if anyone confessed Him as Christ, he would be become excommunicated.
 - 2D** Action, 23: For this reason his parents said, "He has age, ask him."

3A The second questioning of the man born blind by the Pharisees, vv.24-34:

- 1B** The Pharisees' characterization of Jesus, 24: Therefore they called the man who was blind a second time, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know this man is a sinner!"