

## "Now I See"

John 9:35-41

### Introduction:

#### Old Testament statements:

Exodus 4:11; 4:21; 8:22-23; 9:12, 16; 10:1; 14:8, 17-18; 9:17-27; Job 1:21; 2:10; Psalm 139:13-16; Isaiah 45:7; 63:17; 64:7-8; Jeremiah 1:5; Lamentations 3:37-38; Ezekiel 36:25-27; 37:3-6; Daniel 4:34-35

#### New Testament Statement:

John 3:8; 6:37, 44, 65; 8:47; 9:4-5; 35-39; 10:26; 12:39-40; 18:37; Acts 13:47-48

Stages of darkness - **(1)** the darkness of sin and iniquity; **(2)** in the darkness of Satan's lies and **(3)** in the darkness of being given over to our evil intentions.

John 9:35-38 - Spiritually Sighted

God initiates

Man believes

Worship follows

John 9:39b-41 - Spiritually Blinded

Judged by God

They cannot perceive their own blindness

They reject spiritual sight

**Concept:** The full revelation of God is presented in three steps. **First**, the created order points to God (Ps. 19:1-3). **Second**, the incarnation of Jesus Christ and his saving work points to God's love and mercy. (2 Cor. 5:21). **Third**, the Holy Spirit opens my eyes to the glory of God and the salvation of Jesus Christ.

### Conclusion:

1. Jesus' words very personal and very direct; "do you believe in the Son of Man?".
2. Worship is what I was made for and who I worship is the most important thing about me.
3. Who do you know who does not believe? Pursue them; you may be God's legs, you may be God's voice.