

Car Qs

Sunday, May 6th



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1. How did Jesus heal the man born blind?
2. How many times did the Pharisees question the man born blind?
3. True or false: the Pharisees, though they could see, were blind to who Jesus truly is.

Praying Together:

Lord Jesus,

Though the man born blind couldn't physically see until You healed him, he recognized You as our Saviour. Help us to always recognize You in our daily lives instead of being blind to Your blessings. Amen.

Parents' Cheat Sheet - Car Qs

May 6/18, Sunday of the Man Born Blind (6th Sunday of Easter)

1. How did Jesus heal the man born blind?
 1. He made a paste out of clay and saliva, rubbed it on the man's eyes, and told him to wash in the pool of Siloam.
 2. The pool of Siloam was connected with the Rite of Tabernacles, a harvest feast of thanksgiving.²⁵ Its waters were used for purification,²⁶ therefore it's fitting that Jesus would use its waters to heal the man. As the *Orthodox Study Bible* states in a note on John 9:7, "[Jesus'] making use of the pool of Siloam confirms that He is the true purification of the temple and those who worship in it."²⁷

2. How many times did the Pharisees question the man born blind?
 1. Twice
 2. The first time the Pharisees question the man, they latch onto the fact that Jesus healed him on the Sabbath, a day when no work is supposed to be done. As a result, they remark, "'This Man is not from God, because He does not keep the Sabbath.'"²⁸
 3. The Gospel continues to say, though, that the Pharisees refuse to believe the man was born blind in the first place, so they seek out his parents. When the man's parents confirm he was indeed born blind, the Pharisees again have to face the possibility that Jesus did in fact heal him, something they do not want to believe.
 4. The second time they question the man, they go back to their original claim, that Jesus is a sinner. As the man points out, however, someone who isn't from God would not have power to do Godly works. This rational argument angers the Pharisees and they throw the man out of the Temple, which would typically mean death, as one becomes completely separated from the house of God and his community.
 5. Instead of death, however, the man actually receives life because he believes in Jesus, who is "the way, the truth, and the life."²⁹

3. True or false: the Pharisees, though they could see, were blind to who Jesus truly is.
 1. True
 2. The Pharisees, though they were learned men and followers of the Law, refused to see who was right before them, the fulfiller of the Law, Jesus Christ.
 3. Instead of allowing their hearts to be open to the possibility of a different reality than they had perceived, they hold fast to the old ways and ultimately make themselves blind to who Jesus really is.

²⁵ For more on the Feast of Tabernacles, check out https://philologos.org/_eb-ttms/temple14.htm.

²⁶ Note of John 9:7, *Orthodox Study Bible*, p.1442.

²⁷ p. 1442

²⁸ John 9:16

²⁹ John 14:6