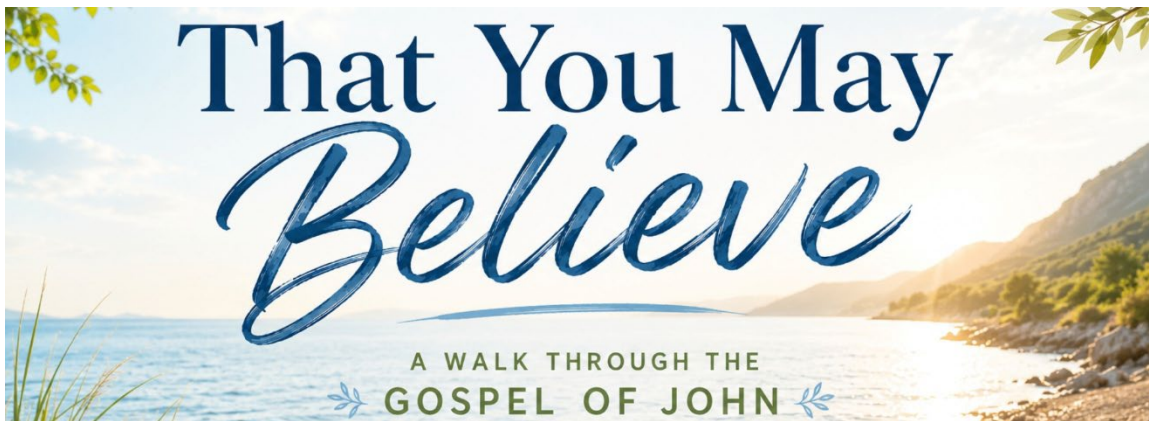




That You May Believe: A Walk Through the Gospel of John - Wk 14

(John 9)

Sunday, August 30, 2026

5-Day Bible Reading Plan and Devotional Guide

Seeing the Light: A Journey from Spiritual Blindness to Sight

Day 1: Born Into Darkness, Called Into Light

Reading: John 9:1-7

Devotional: The man in John 9 was not blind because of personal failure or family sin. He was blind so that the glory of God could be revealed through him. This reframes everything. The difficult circumstances of your life are not evidence of God's absence or punishment. They are often the very stage upon which God chooses to display His power most clearly. Before you knew Christ, you were spiritually blind through no fault of your own birth. Yet Jesus sought this man out. He seeks you out the same way. The question is not why you are where you are. The question is what God can do from here.

Reflection: What difficult circumstance in your life might God be using to display His glory? Are you asking why, or are you asking what?

Practical Application: Write down one hardship you are currently facing. Beside it, write one way God could receive glory through it, even if you cannot fully see how yet.

Day 2: The Change That Makes You Unrecognizable

Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Devotional: When the man born blind received his sight, people who had known him his entire life struggled to recognize him. Nothing about his physical appearance had changed, but everything about

the way he moved, carried himself, and engaged the world was different. He walked with confidence because he could see where he was going. This is what genuine transformation in Christ looks like. It is not a cosmetic adjustment. It is a fundamental reorientation of how you see the world and how you move through it. When Jesus is the change agent in your life, the people closest to you should notice something different about you.

Reflection: Would the people who knew you before Christ struggle to recognize who you are becoming? What areas of your life still look exactly the same as before?

Practical Application: Identify one habit or pattern in your life that has not yet been surrendered to Christ's influence. Bring it before Him in prayer today and ask the Holy Spirit to begin His work there.

Day 3: The World Will Try to Explain Away What God Has Done

Reading: John 9:13-25

Devotional: The Pharisees refused to accept what was plainly in front of them. A man had been blind from birth and could now see. Rather than marvel at the miracle, they interrogated it. They called in his parents. They questioned the man twice. They were so committed to their own framework of understanding that they could not receive what God had done. The world will do the same to you. When God changes your life, when He opens your eyes, the world will offer alternative explanations and subtle pressures to stay quiet. Your testimony does not require the world's validation. What God has done in you is real, regardless of whether anyone else accepts it.

Reflection: Have you ever allowed the skepticism of others to cause you to downplay or doubt what God has done in your life?

Practical Application: Share your testimony or one specific thing God has done for you with one person this week, without apologizing for it or softening it.

Day 4: Humility Is the Beginning of Sight

Reading: Proverbs 3:5-7; 2 Corinthians 4:3-4

Devotional: Spiritual blindness is rooted in self-reliance. A hardened heart says it does not need God. Pride says it can figure things out on its own. External influences say there are better explanations than the gospel. All three of these causes of spiritual blindness share a common thread: they place the self at the center of the story. Humility dismantles that. Humility is not weakness. It is the honest acknowledgment that you cannot see everything, that you have real limitations, and that you need a source of light greater than yourself. The moment a person stops insisting they can see on their own is the moment Christ can begin to give them genuine sight.

Reflection: In what areas of your life are you still relying on your own understanding rather than trusting God's direction?

Practical Application: Spend five minutes in silence today. No requests, no words. Simply acknowledge before God that He sees what you cannot see, and ask Him to lead you where your own understanding falls short.

Day 5: You Have Sight -- Now Lead Others to the Light

Reading: Matthew 5:14-16; John 8:12

Devotional: Jesus declared Himself the light of the world in John 8, and then in John 9 He gave sight to a man who had never seen anything. Light is not incidental to sight. It is the essential condition for it. If you have received spiritual sight, you carry within you the Holy Spirit of the God who is light. That means you are not meant to hoard what you have been given. The man who received his sight almost certainly went looking for every blind person he knew. That is the natural response to receiving something that transforms your entire experience of life. A church grows not through programs or facilities alone, but through people who are so undone by what Jesus has done for them that they cannot stop leading others to the source.

Reflection: Who in your life is still stumbling in spiritual blindness? What is one step you could take this week to point them toward Christ?

Practical Application: Write down the name of one person who does not yet know Jesus. Commit to praying for them daily this week and ask God to open one natural opportunity for you to share what He has done in your life.