

Strange Questions – Part 3

When Jesus heals a paralytic you don't expect the man to walk with a limp. When Jesus heals a deaf person you don't expect them to need hearing aids. When Jesus heals a mute you don't expect them to talk with a stutter. And when Jesus brings someone back from the dead you don't expect them to be on hospice care for the rest of their life. That is what makes the miracle that Jesus did in Mark 8 so strange. As Jesus was walking through the fishing village of Bethsaida some people presented a blind man to Jesus and asked Jesus to heal him. Here is how the miracle unfolded...

He took the blind man by the hand and led him outside the village. When he had spit on the man's eyes and put his hands on him, Jesus asked, "Do you see anything?" He looked up and said, "I see people; they look like trees walking around." Once more Jesus put his hands on the man's eyes. Then his eyes were opened, his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly. Mark 8:23-25

This is a unique miracle of Jesus. Not because He healed a blind man, but because the healing happened in phases. After the first touch of Jesus the man could see, but everything was still hazy. Only after the second touch of Jesus could the man see clearly. In between the two touches comes that strange question from Jesus, "Do you see anything?" Did Jesus lack confidence in His ability to heal? Was Jesus just off of His game that day and couldn't heal the man with one touch? Or was something else going on? I committed my life to God and was baptized when I was 10 years old. Looking back years later I realize that I was much like the man with only hazy vision. Yes I could see, but my relationship with God was not focused as clearly as it could be. When I was around 20 years old I made a significant choice to dedicate my entire life to God and He touched me again. All of a sudden my vision of the future came into clear focus. Through the years that clear focus has a tendency to get a little hazy at times. It is great to know that Jesus is willing to touch me again and again to bring my commitment back into focus. Do you see anything? When life begins to get out of focus know that you can return to God and He is more than willing to touch you again and give you 20/20 vision.

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