

**“A Job Well Done”**  
**John 9:35-41**

**Introduction:**

1. How Many Jobs:
  - Have You Started In Your Life:
    - That You Didn't Finish?
      - This Can Be:
        - Jobs At Work!
        - Jobs At Home! Or Even:
        - Jobs At Church!
  - If You're Anything Like Me:
    - There Are Probably:
      - Quite A Few Jobs:
        - That Were & Still Are:
          - Left Unfinished!
2. But - Doesn't It Feel Good:
  - When You Finally Go Back To Those Jobs:
    - At Some Point:
      - And Get To Finish Them?
  - So Much So:
    - That You Wonder:
      - Why Didn't You Just Finish The Job:
        - In The First Place!
  - And Yet - All Too Often:
    - The Cycle Continues!
      - We Procrastinate!
      - We Re-Prioritize!
        - Often With Things That Are Even Less Important!
      - We Get Distracted!
  - And - Instead Of:
    - A “Job *Well* Done!”
      - Once Again - It Becomes:
        - A “Job *Not* Done!”
3. Well - We Can Be Thankful:
  - That God Is Not Like Us:
    - When It Comes To His Job & To His Work!
      - He Always Finishes:
        - What He Starts!
      - And - Whenever He Finishes:
        - It Is 100% A “Job Well Done!”
  - And - This Is What We Will Find:
    - As We Turn Back In Our Bibles This Morning:
      - To John 9 - Where We've Been Looking Into:
        - The Healing Of:
          - The Man Born Blind!
4. And - As We Near:
  - The End Of This Chapter:
    - We Will See Jesus:
      - Bringing The Work Of God:
        - That He Started:
          - In That Man's Life:
            - To Completion!
5. Indeed - What We Will Read:
  - Starting In 9:35 - Is:
    - “A Job Well Done” By:
      - Our Lord Jesus Christ!
  - 9:35-38 - “Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God? / He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him? / And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee. / And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him!”

- Once Again We See:
  - "A Job Well Done" By:
    - The Jesus!
- And That Is Because:
  - The Healing That Jesus Started:
    - In The Blind Man's Eyes:
      - Jesus Finished Through:
        - The Healing Of The Blind Man's Heart & Soul!
- 6. And - As We Look Into These Verses:
  - More Closely Together Today:
    - I Want You To Realize That:
      - Jesus Will Always Finish The Work:
        - That He Started:
          - In Your Life & Heart!
      - Jesus Will Always Finish His Work:
        - So That It Will Forever Be:
          - "A Job Well Done!"
  - 7. And So - We Are Going To:
    - Look At 2 Statements Given By Jesus:
      - Along With 2 Responses:
        - That Reveal This Truth:
          - That Jesus Will Always Finish:
            - What He Starts!

\* The First Statement We Come To Is:

**1. A Statement Of Pursuit:**

- In 9:35 - Where - After The Blind Man:
  - Was "Cast Out" From Fellowship With His Fellow Jews:
    - We Learn That:
      - "Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God?"
  - In This Verse:
    - We See The Pursuit Of Jesus:
      - To Finish The Work:
        - That He Had Started:
          - In That Man!
    - And - His Renewed Pursuit Begins With:
  - A Special Listening - By Jesus - When He:
    - Heard About The Plight Of:
      - This Man - Who:
        - Probably Had A Lot Of Mixed Feelings & Questions:
          - About What Just Happened To Him!
      - He Must Have Certainly Felt:
        - Joy & Gratitude:
          - For Being Able To See!
      - And Yet - His Joy Must Have Been:
        - Mixed With Some Sorrow & Grief:
          - From Being Ostracized From His Community!
      - Perhaps - He Even Wondered:
        - "What Now?" - And:
          - "What's Next?"
    - Well - Somehow Jesus "Heard" That:
      - "They Cast Him Out!"
        - Was It From His Disciples?
        - Was It From The People?
        - Was It From The Pharisees?
        - Could Jesus Have Heard It:
          - From The Inner Cries Of The Man Himself?
    - Though We're Not Told:

- *How* He Heard This News:
  - We Do See That:
    - *When* Jesus Heard The News:
      - He Cared & Went Out & Looked For The Man!
- And - When We Get Into:
  - John 10 - We Will See Why!
    - It Was Because:
      - Jesus Is The Good Shepherd!
    - And - That Blind Man:
      - Was One Of His Lost Sheep!
  - Jesus Cares For All Of His Sheep!
    - And His Ears Are Open:
      - To Our Cries! So - Cry To Him!
- And So - His Pursuit Continued As:
- A Special Looking - By Jesus:
  - For The Man He Healed!
    - We Know That Jesus Looked For Him:
      - Because In 9:35 We Are Told That:
        - Eventually “He Found Him!”
  - Again - We Are Left To Wondering:
    - Where Jesus Found Him! And:
      - How Long It Took For Jesus To Find Him!
      - But - We Have No Doubt As To:
        - Why Jesus Looked For The Man & Found Him!
  - It Was Because Of His Great:
    - Care & Compassion:
      - So That He Might Finish The Work:
        - He Started In His Life!
    - After All - Back In 9:3:
      - Jesus Told His Disciples That:
        - The Man Had Been Born Blind:
          - So “That The Works Of God Should Be Made Manifest In Him!”
      - Not Just *Some* Of His Works:
        - But *All* Of His Works!
  - And So - After Jesus Found The Man:
    - We Come To Jesus’ First Statement:
      - Directed To The Blind Man Himself!
    - Jesus Asked Him:
      - 9:35 - “Dost Thou Believe On The Son Of God?” - And Through:
        - This Question - There Was:
- A Special Leading - By Jesus:
  - To Bring The Man To A Saving Faith Him!
    - Now - At First - This Question Seems Rather Out Of Place - To Start Out - What Was:
      - Only The Second Meeting Between Jesus & The Blind Man!
        - But - For Jesus - To Do “A Job Well Done!”
        - This Was No Time For Small-Talk!
  - It Was Time For Jesus To Ask Him:
    - A Significant Question:
      - That He Could Use To Lead & Draw & Direct The Man:
        - To Saving Faith In Him Alone As The Christ The Son Of God!
    - Isn’t This Too The Purpose Of John:
      - For Writing This Gospel?
        - 20:31 - “But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name!”
    - This Was Jesus’ Purpose As Well!
      - And So - Jesus’ Question Was:
- A Searching Question!
  - “***Do You Believe?***”
    - Jesus Asked The Man A Very Personal Question - About:
      - His Own, Personal Faith!

- Because - There Was Something Far More Vital & Important Than:
  - The Healing Of His Eyes! It Was:
    - The Healing Of His Heart!
  - Pay Attention To This Question!
    - Mark 8:36 - “For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?”
  - Jesus’ Question Was Also:
- A Stirring Question!
  - “Do You Believe ***In The Son Of God?***”
    - Now - If The Man Was Acquainted With His Scriptures - He Would Have Known:
      - *Something* About This!
    - From Psalm 2:7 - He Would Have Heard God Speaking To Another & Saying - “Thou Art My Son; This Day Have I Begotten Thee!”
      - But - What Could This Really Mean?
      - And - Who Could This Refer To?
      - And - Why Should He Believe?
    - Because - If The Leaders Of His Own Religion:
      - Did Not Have The Answers To These Questions - How Could He Be Expected To?
  - Yet - By Asking This Question:
    - About Faith - Jesus Led Him:
      - To The Very Faith:
        - That Would Heal His Soul!
- And So - To This First Statement & Question:
  - By Jesus - The Man Responds With:
    - A New & Special Longing!
      - 9:36 - “He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him?”
  - Jesus Had Awakened A Desire:
    - In That Man’s Heart:
      - That He Didn’t Even Know Was There:
        - Until Jesus Asked This Question!
  - With His Question:
    - Jesus Got The Man To See:
      - His Own Spiritual Deficit!
        - “Who Is He, Lord?”
      - He Openly Admitted His:
        - Ignorance About:
          - Who To Believe! Yet:
            - With This Question:
    - Jesus Also Got The Man To Experience:
      - A New Spiritual Desire!
        - “That I Might Believe On Him!”
    - There Was Such Power In Jesus’ Question:
      - That He Would Become:
        - Both The Author:
          - Of The Man's Faith!
        - As Well As The Object:
          - Of His Faith! Because:
  - With This Question:
    - Jesus Also Got The Man To Realize:
      - His Utter Dependence:
        - Upon The “Lord” Himself:
          - To “Believe In The Son Of God!”
  - And - In This Way:
    - Jesus Was About To:
      - Finish The Work He Started:
        - In That Man’s Life!
- And - What Was True For That Unnamed Blind Man:
  - Is True For You:
    - When Jesus Pursues You - To Save You:
      - By His Grace Through Faith:

- In Him!
- This Is How Jesus:
  - Pursues After All Of His Sheep!
    - By Getting Us To See:
      - Our Spiritual Deficit!
        - Of Sin & Guilt & Ignorance!
    - By Awakening:
      - Our Spiritual Desire:
        - For Mercy & Forgiveness & Righteousness!
    - And Then - By Bringing Us:
      - To A Saving Dependence:
        - And Faith In Jesus As Savior & Lord!
  - And - When Jesus Begins His Pursuit:
    - Of You - He Will Never Give Up:
      - Until He Finishes His Work!
    - Even As We Are Told In:
      - 1 Thessalonians 5:24 - "Faithful [is] he that calleth you, who also will do [it]!"
  - So - Hear What Jesus Said To:
    - The Blind Man:
      - "Dost Thou Believe On The Son Of God?"
        - And Let This Searching & Stirring Question:
          - Lead You To Him!

\* But Then - We Come To A Second Statement - And That Is:

**2. A Statement Of Proof:**

- In 9:37 - The Proof That:
  - Jesus Was There To Finish His Work - And:
    - To Finish It Well!
      - So - "Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee!"
  - And With These Words:
    - Jesus Answered The Man's Question:
      - In A Clear & Compelling Way!
    - And He Turned On The Light:
      - So That The Man Might Finally See & Know The Truth About Jesus!
  - And - In Two Ways:
    - Jesus Confirms - To The Man - The Truth:
      - Of His Identity As:
        - The Son Of God!
          - First - He Points To:
  - The Witness Of Sight!
    - Even - The Witness Of:
      - The Man's Own Sight With His Own Two Eyes!
        - Which Is Why Jesus Said:
          - "Thou Hast Seen Him!"
    - Because - For The Very First Time:
      - In This Entire Chapter:
        - The Man Born Blind Could Now See:
          - The Very Son Of God:
            - In Whom He Needed To Believe!
        - And - Who Made That Possible?
          - Who Gave Him His Seeing Eyes?
            - Jesus!
    - But - As We All Know:
      - There Is Much More To Seeing Something:
        - Than Just Looking At It!
      - Its One Thing:
        - To See - Its Another Thing:
          - To Understand What You See!
    - And That Is Why God Was Slowly But Surely:
      - Shining The Truth About Jesus:

- Into His Heart & Soul!
- When He Was First Asked About:
  - The Person Who Gave Him His Sight:
    - In 9:11 - He Said It Was Just:
      - “A Man That Is Called Jesus!”
    - So - To Him - Jesus Was:
      - Just A Man Serving God!
  - However - When He Was Later Asked:
    - By The Pharisees As To Who He Thought Jesus Was:
      - In 9:17 - He Said That:
        - “He Is A Prophet!”
      - And - A Man Speaking For God!
    - As The Hearing Was Drawing A Close:
      - And God Was Starting To Connect The Dots In His Mind About Jesus:
        - In 9:33 - He Came To The Conclusion That He Had To Be:
          - “Of God!”
        - Even - A Man Sent By God!
  - And Now - Jesus Finally Reveals That:
    - He Was None Other Than:
      - The Son Of God Himself!
        - The Messiah / The Christ / The Savior Of The World!
      - “Thou Hast Seen Him!”
        - And Now - He Could Believe In Him!
  - But - The Man Didn’t Just Have To:
    - Believe What His Eyes Could See!
    - He Could Also Believe:
- The Witness Of Sound!
  - Even - The Witness Of:
    - His Own Two Ears - Hearing & Believing:
      - The Sound Of Jesus’ Voice!
  - Because - In 9:37:
    - Jesus Adds:
      - “And It Is He That Talketh With Thee!”
- So - Through Both:
  - Sight & Sound:
    - Jesus Confirmed The Truth:
      - About His Identity - And:
        - Called On The Man To Believe:
          - In Him As The Son Of God!
- And So - To This Second Statement:
  - By Jesus - The Man Responds Again:
    - And - Confesses The Truth:
      - In 9:38 - “And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him!”
  - With The Full Light Of Jesus:
    - Now Flooding Into His Soul:
      - He Makes A Simple, But Full Confession:
        - Of His New-Found Faith:
          - In The Lord Jesus Christ!
      - The Man Was Now Saved - And:
        - Made Completely Whole!
          - Even As We Are Told In Romans 10:10 - “For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation!”
        - And - We Can Sense:
          - From These Words Of This Man:
    - The Deep Feeling:
      - Of His Confession!
        - The Man Was Truly Moved By Jesus!
      - Because - Now He Knew For Certain - Who It Was:
        - Who Healed Him!
        - Who Loved Him!

- Who Sought For Him!
- Who Spoke To Him! And:
- Who Could Save Him!
- Do You Have This Kind Of Deep Feeling:
  - In Your Confession & Profession:
    - Of Christ?
  - We Can Also Sense:
- The Deep Faith:
  - Of His Confession!
    - "I Believe" - He Cried To Jesus!
  - And In That Moment:
    - A Living Faith Was Born!
  - And - For The First Time - "With Joy" - He - "Drew Water Out Of The Wells Of Salvation!" (Isaiah 12:3)
    - But - Who Dug That Well In His Heart In The First Place? God!
  - Do You Have This Kind Of Deep Faith?
    - A Living Faith?
    - A Growing Faith?
    - From A Well That Will Never Run Dry?
  - But - We Can Also Sense:
- The Deep Following:
  - Of His Confession!
    - Because - When The Man Calls Jesus:
      - "Lord" - *This* Time:
        - He Does So In Its Truest & Fullest Sense!
    - When The Man First Called Jesus:
      - "Lord" - Back In 9:36:
        - Jesus Was The Object:
          - Of His Inquiry!
      - And - It Was Probably:
        - Just A Title Of Respect!
    - But Now - When The Man Calls Jesus:
      - "Lord" - Jesus Became:
        - The Very Object:
          - Of His Faith!
    - And - Jesus Became:
      - His Savior & His Lord / Master!
        - This Is What True, Saving Faith:
          - Will Always Sound Like & Look Like! "Jesus Is Lord!"
  - Do You Have This Kind Of Deep Following?
    - Is Jesus The Lord:
      - Of Your Life? Even:
        - Every Part Of It? Surrender!
    - But - Then - We See:
- The Deep Fervency:
  - Of His Confession!
    - When - 9:38 - "He Worshiped Him!"
      - He Bowed Down Before Him, Loved And Adored Him, Because His Name Is Wonderful, Jesus His Lord!
    - And - He Gave Himself Completely:
      - Over To The Lord:
        - From The Depth Of His Heart!
    - Do You Have This Kind Of Deep Fervency?
      - A Worship That Is:
        - From Deep Within?
          - Are You Moved By What Jesus Did & Is Doing For You?
- Because - This Was The Right Response:
  - By That Man - Based On His Confession Of Faith:
    - In Jesus Christ!
  - He Worshiped Jesus!

- Because Through His Own Proof:
  - Jesus Finished His Work In That Man:
    - To Bring Him Into Faith In & Fellowship With Him As His Lord & Savior!
- And That Is Why We Too:
  - Ought To Honor The Lord Jesus Christ!
    - With A Confession That Springs From:
      - The Same Kind Of Heart!
        - “Lord, I Believe!”
  - And - Worship Him!
    - Because Of The “Job Well Done” That:
      - He Has Accomplished In You!

**Conclusion:**

1. Jesus Will Always:
  - Finish The Work:
    - That He Starts:
      - In Your Life!
    - From The First Works:
      - Of Creating You & Sustaining You:
        - For His Own Purpose & Glory!
    - To The Saving Work:
      - Of Redeeming You:
        - From Your Sin! And Even:
    - To His Final Works:
      - Of Sanctifying & Glorifying You!
        - To Make You Fit:
          - To Be With Him Forever Someday!
2. And - That Is Why:
  - You Can Trust & Believe In The Lord:
    - As He Pursues You - And:
      - Proves Himself To You!
  - Because:
    - He Will Never Let His Work In You:
      - Go Unfinished!
        - He Will Finish The Job!
3. And So Now - With The Apostle Paul:
  - In Philippians 1:6 - We Can:
    - Be “Confident Of This Very Thing, That He Which Hath Begun A Good Work In You Will Perform It Until The Day Of Jesus Christ!”
  - And - On That Day:
    - You Can Stand Before Jesus:
      - Right Beside This Blind Man:
        - To Show That The Work Jesus Did For You Was, Beyond Any Doubt:
          - “A Job Well Done!”

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