

GROUP STUDY GUIDE

WEEK OF MARCH 30 | DO YOU BELIEVE IN THE SON OF MAN?

WARM-UP QUESTION

Think about a time when your perspective on something completely changed—maybe a belief, an assumption, or even how you saw a person. What happened to open your eyes in a new way?

PRAY

Celebrating Baptisms

We praise God for the 114 baptisms from the last Rooted session! As a group, pray for those who were baptized—asking the Holy Spirit to strengthen and guide them as they take their next steps in following Jesus. Pray for their protection and continued growth in faith.

Upcoming Rooted Session (May 13 - July 22)

Pray for God to provide the right facilitators and to place each participant in the right group. Ask the Holy Spirit to stir the hearts of those considering joining, leading them toward an encounter with Jesus.

Men's Night (Friday, May 2)

Pray for the men at Traders Point, that they would respond to the Holy Spirit's prompting to attend. Ask for transformation, courage, and obedience in their walk with Jesus.

DISCUSS

Start your discussion by sharing what stood out to you from Sunday's sermon. Were there any new insights or key takeaways for you?

Read John 9:1-38

- In verse 1, Jesus takes time to notice the man who was born blind. What distractions might be keeping you from noticing what the Holy Spirit has for you this week?
- The disciples ask why the man was born blind, but Jesus redirects the question. Why do you think their question was off track? What does Jesus want them to focus on instead?
- Jesus could have healed the man instantly but instead gave him instructions to follow. Why do you think Jesus chose to involve him in the healing process? Has Jesus ever invited you to partner with Him in a similar way?

- After encountering Jesus, the blind man became unrecognizable to those who had known him for years. How has Jesus fundamentally changed you? Is there any area of your life where you still need His transformation?
- Read Hosea 6:6. How does this verse relate to the Pharisees' reaction to Jesus and the blind man?
- The Pharisees' main question was, "Who is Jesus?" How would you answer that question? Does your life reflect who you say Jesus is?
- The blind man wasn't a religious scholar, but he had courage and clarity from the Holy Spirit. Where in your life do you feel unqualified? How do you need the Holy Spirit to strengthen you?

TAKE ACTION

An encounter with Jesus leads to transformation. He alone changes lives.

- Take a moment to reflect: Where in your life do you need an encounter with Jesus?
- What's one practical step you can take this week to spend time in His presence?

Spend a few minutes in prayer as a group, asking the Holy Spirit to reveal your next step of obedience. Then, craft your **"I will"** statement—a simple, actionable step you will take this week. Share your statements with one another and encourage each other to follow through.