

## Bible Class Notes – From John’s Gospel– Lesson 40

### The ‘I AM’ Sayings of the Lord Jesus Christ.

**This week** we continue lessons which teach the almighty saving power of Jesus Christ.

*Jesus said,  
“As long as I am in the world,  
I am the Light of the World.”  
John 9 v5*

#### Bible Readings for this week:

*(Choose a regular time each day to read the bible and pray whether it be when you first wake up or just before you go to sleep)*

Day	Bible Reading	Tick When Read
Sunday	John 8 v12-21 (I AM The Light of The World)	
Monday	John 8 v22-32 (True disciples believe and obey)	
Tuesday	John 9 v1-12 (The Lord miraculously heals the blind man)	
Wednesday	John 9 v13-29 (The man testifies that the Lord had done it)	
Thursday	John 9 v30-41 (The blind unbelief of Pharisees)	
Friday	Isaiah 60 v1-21 (Prophecy of Glorious Heaven)	
Saturday	Revelation 21 v1-27 (Jesus Christ, The Light of Heaven)	

#### Important Lesson for us Today:

We live in a time when this evil world programs us to believe only in what we can see or touch. As we cannot see God with our physical eyes, or touch Him, we are tempted to believe that He does not exist. So we carry on living our lives **without** heartfelt respect for Him and His truth. Whilst on this earth we will not see God because, as The Lord told the Woman of Samaria, (John 4v24), **“God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth”**. John also tells us (John 1v18) that, **“No man hath seen God at any time, the only begotten Son (The Lord Jesus), which is in the bosom of the Father, He hath declared Him”**. The Lord Jesus came to earth to declare the Truth of God to us. Jesus Christ is **The Light of The World**, and He has sent The Holy Spirit to cause us to **‘see’** these wonderful truths, and believe on them to the saving of our soul.

This week’s hymn verses tells of The Lord Jesus Christ being the Light our souls need: (432)

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| <p>3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,<br/>‘I am this dark world’s Light;<br/>Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,<br/>And all thy day be bright’.<br/>I looked to Jesus, and I found<br/>In Him, my Star, my Sun;<br/>And in that light of life I’ll walk<br/>Till traveling days are done.</p> | <p>1. I heard the voice of Jesus say,<br/>‘Come unto Me and rest;<br/>Lay down, thou weary one, lay down<br/>Thy head upon My breast.’<br/>I came to Jesus as I was,<br/>Weary, and worn, and sad;<br/>I found in Him a resting-place,<br/>And He has made me glad.</p> |
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### Jesus Christ Said, ‘I AM the Light of the World’

- **Blind from Birth.**
  - The blind man had never seen anything before, not even himself!
  - He was totally blind to all the dangers and beauty around him.
  - He did not know that the Lord was near him, with power to give sight.
- **We Too are Spiritually Blind from Birth.**
  - **Naturally, we do not:**
    - Know God, **nor** do we want to feel His saving presence, or power.
    - Know where to find Him, **nor** do we ask in prayer for His forgiveness.
    - Have experience of His Love - **rejecting** His mercy, and power to save.
  - We are ‘blind’ to our souls’ danger, ‘seeing’ no beauty in the Saviour.
  - We think that, as we cannot see God, He cannot exist or see us!
- **Sight Restored by The Power of God.**
  - The Lord came with compassion and found the blind man; miraculously restoring his sight by simply making wet clay, applying it to his eyes, and sending him to wash in the Pool of Siloam. A free act of mercy.
  - The man accepted this humbling treatment, obeyed and gained his sight.
- **Our Spiritual Sight Restored by The Power of God.**
  - We need light to see clearly. Darkness hides the real surroundings.
  - Without the Holy Spirit breathing new life into our souls we mistakenly ‘see’ ourselves as good, nice people - surely acceptable to God.
  - We need the Holy Spirit’s help to ‘see’ ourselves as God sees us - sinners who are disobedient to God, proud, selfish; unable to please God.
  - This convicting work of The Holy Spirit causes us to ‘see’ the terrible offence to God of our unforgiven sin, and to ‘see’ (believe) that Jesus Christ offers Himself as our Saviour, causing us to plead for forgiveness.
- **If you say with the blind man? - “Whereas I was blind, now I see”**
  - You have a heartfelt desire to repent and believe. God’s Gift of Faith.
  - You have a soul full of wonder, love, and gratitude towards God, which realises that The Lord Jesus Christ died on Calvary to save you.
  - You have been given a new purpose in life – a desire to repent and obey The Lord, to read His word, pray to Him, worship Him, serve Him, and a desire to witness to others of your new-found faith in Him.
  - You have certain hope of spending eternity with the Lord God.

**Jesus Christ said, “I am the light of the world: he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.”**