The Glorious Privilege of Being Born Blind

John 9:1-7

The Staging

The Time and Place (John 7-8)

1. Jerusalem during the Feast of Booths: The place is jammed.
2. The people are abuzz about Jesus and the Elites are seeking to kill Him.

The Characters

1. The man born blind
2. His Parents
3. The disciples

The Dilemma

“Who sinned?”

The Subversive Miracle

- Clear Proof of the Deity of Jesus
- High Impact Exposure
- Unavoidable Confrontation with the Elites

The Takeaways

1. God’s Purposes are Ultimate

The differences between us:

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<th>We ask for the cause of the problem.</th>
<th>Jesus points to its ultimate purpose.</th>
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<td>We ask who is to blame.</td>
<td>Jesus asks who is to be glorified.</td>
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<td>We ask what was done.</td>
<td>Jesus asks what can BE done.</td>
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<td>We say “They.”</td>
<td>Jesus says, “We.”</td>
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<td>“Why are you here?”</td>
<td>“You’re in the right place.”</td>
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Recognizing God as ultimate in our circumstances will lead us to...

1. release the weight of responsibility we bear for our choices.
2. end stigma and judgment in our view of others.
3. live in the moment without fear of the future.

2. God’s Work is Ultimate

“We must do…"

- The work of God is to display God’s work.
- We do this through a Christ-exalting life allowing others to see what he is doing in us.
- We must continually ask, “What is God doing here?”

3. God’s Timing is Ultimate

- There is an urgency to embracing God’s timetable.
- Eternity will see the resolution of all things in Christ.
- Our time to display him is now.

What “Glorious Privilege” has God granted you?