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# ELEMENTARY DISCUSSION GUIDE

## CHARACTER TRAIT:

WISDOM

## DEFINITION:

An understanding of God's truth that guides my actions

## MEMORY VERSE:

"But, the wisdom from above is first of all pure. It is also peace loving, gentle at all times, and willing to yield to others. It is full of mercy and the fruit of good deeds. It shows no favoritism and is always sincere." **James 3:17**

## FINISH LINE:

Seeking wisdom leads us to trust in Jesus

## READ: JOHN 9

### WHAT DOES IT SAY?

#### (OBSERVATION)

1. What did Jesus do for the blind man along the road? (*He healed his blindness.*)
2. What had the man done to deserve this kindness? (*Nothing. He was helpless but Jesus found him and healed him.*)
3. Why had this happened? (*So Jesus could show the power of God through him.*)
4. **Look at John 9:35-41.** How did the man born blind seek wisdom? (*He asked Jesus who this "Son of Man" is because he wanted to know. He wanted the wisdom that Jesus was willing to give.*)
5. How did the man respond when he finally had wisdom and the right view of who Jesus is? (*He believed and worshipped Jesus!*)

### WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

#### (INTERPRETATION)

1. Did the Pharisees have knowledge? (*Yes – They knew a lot of facts.*) Did they have godly wisdom? (*No – They knew about God, but they did not let God or His Word guide their actions.*)
2. Do you think the Pharisees were searching for wisdom? Why or why not? (*No, they thought they were wise by themselves and did not need God's help.*)
3. Using just his knowledge, did the man who was blind have a complete view of who Jesus really is? (*No. He knew what Jesus had done for him and that the Pharisees' knowledge could not explain it. Later, Jesus healed his spiritual blindness so the man could see who Jesus really is and believe in Him.*)

### WHY DOES IT MATTER?

#### (APPLICATION)

1. When God gives us the wisdom to understand who He is, what is the right response? (*We want to worship Him and let His wisdom guide our actions.*)
2. How have you sought wisdom from God this week? How has He helped you? Where do you wish you had asked God for wisdom instead of relying on your own knowledge?