



An Invitation to Listen to God



“Born Blind - Born to See”

To prepare for the next Small Group meeting you are invited to engage in the following process before you meet each week:

- Ask the Holy Spirit to open your mind and heart to hear God’s Word.
- Choose a scripture passage, read it and sit quietly with the Word.
- What moves you or attracts you in this reading?
- Does anything cause resistance in you? Do you know why?
- Take a few minutes to respond in writing to the readings.

Readings for the 4th Sunday of Lent March 22, 2020

Reading 1: 1 Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 23: 1-6

Reading 2: Ephesians 5: 8-14

Gospel: John 9: 1-41

Questions

► *For personal reflection prior to meeting as a group (or for discussion):*

1. What or how do you need to change in order to see others as Jesus sees them?
2. *The Spirit rushed upon David.* Have you experienced the Spirit rushing upon you (or urging you) at any time in your life? When? Did you recognize it at the time? Did you listen and obey? Then what happened?
3. St. Paul exhorts the Ephesians (and us) to Live as children of the light. What is he telling us to do? What kind of effort is needed for you to do this? Do you believe the Catholic Church when it urges and proclaims such things, or do you decide for yourself? If there is any Church teaching that you are not following, can you educate yourself and dare to follow Jesus starting now?

► *For group discussion:*

4. What would most help you to “see” Jesus in a new way today? Then, what can you do, starting today, that would be most pleasing to Jesus?
5. Is there a justice issue that blinds you? What keeps you from seeing this injustice fully, for what it really is? What might be some Godly things you can do to educate, bring compassion or justice to others?

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