

# John 9:41

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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## Analysis

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'Jesus said unto them, If ye were blind, ye should have no sin: but now ye say, We see; therefore your sin remaineth.' Jesus' answer is devastating. Genuine blindness (acknowledged inability) would be curable—the blind man's was. But claimed sight (spiritual pride) leaves sin unaddressed. Their claim 'We see' prevents the healing they need. Self-perceived sufficiency blocks divine remedy.

## Historical Context

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This concludes the chapter's theme. The born blind man saw; the seeing Pharisees remain blind. The difference isn't intelligence or training but humility. Those who admit need receive; those who deny need remain empty.

## Related Passages

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**1 John 4:8** — God is love

**John 15:13** — Greatest form of love

## Study Questions

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1. How does claiming 'we see' keep sin remaining?
2. What is the relationship between humility and receiving Christ's healing?

## Interlinear Text

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εἶπεν	αὐτοῖς	ό	Ἰησοῦς	Εἰ	τυφλοὶ	ἡτε	οὐκ	ἄν
<b>said</b>	<b>unto them</b>	G3588	<b>Jesus</b>	<b>If</b>	<b>blind</b>	<b>ye were</b>	<b>no</b>	<b>ye should</b>
G2036	G846		G2424	G1487	G5185	G2258	G3756	G302
εἴχετε	ἀμαρτία	νῦν	δὲ	λέγετε	ὅτι	Βλέπομεν	ἡ	οὖν
<b>have</b>	<b>sin</b>	<b>now</b>	<b>but</b>	<b>ye say</b>	G3754	<b>We see</b>	G3588	<b>therefore</b>
G2192	G266	G3568	G1161	G3004		G991		G3767
ἀμαρτία	ὑμῶν	μένει						
<b>sin</b>	<b>your</b>	<b>remaineth</b>						
G266	G5216	G3306						

## Additional Cross-References

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**Isaiah 5:21** (Parallel theme): Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!

**Hebrews 10:26** (Sin): For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,

**Luke 18:14** (Parallel theme): I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

**Proverbs 26:12** (Parallel theme): Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? there is more hope of a fool than of him.

**Jeremiah 2:35** (Sin): Yet thou sayest, Because I am innocent, surely his anger shall turn from me. Behold, I will plead with thee, because thou sayest, I have not sinned.

**Luke 12:47** (Parallel theme): And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not himself, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes.