

SIN AND  
PHYSICAL AFFLICTION

*John 9:1-2*

I. Blind from Birth

II. Whose Sin Caused this Affliction?

*Genesis 3:19*

*2 Corinthians 4:16*

a. Personal Causality

*Numbers 12:1-10*

*1 Corinthians 11:29-30*

b. Parental Causality

*Exodus 20:5*

*2 Samuel 12:13-14*

*Daniel 6:23-24*

*Deuteronomy 24:16*

*Ezekiel 18:19-20*

III. Affliction to Reveal God's Sovereignty and Power

*Job 4:7-8; 8:3-6; 11:13-20; 18:5-12; 21:7-14; 22:5-11*

*Job 1:1-12; 2:1-10; 42:1-7*

*2 Corinthians 12:7-10*

*érgon* - that which one undertakes to do, enterprise, undertaking

*John 10:25, 37-38*

#### IV. Urgency in Doing the Works of God

*John 7:33*

*John 20:30-31*

*John 1:4-5*

*Colossians 4:5*

*Ephesians 5:8-16*

*2 Corinthians 5:20*

**Closing Thought:** The relationship between sin and affliction is this; affliction can be the direct result of one's sin, or the result of the sin of one's parents, or simply because God has ordained it, and the affliction is not due to any specific sin. This man was blind that God's works might be done by Jesus to validate His claims to be The Messiah. His blindness was not caused by any particular sin. We mustn't try and tie affliction directly to any sin, but shine the light of Christ into the lives of all of the afflicted.