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“You Have A Story To Tell!”
(John 9:1-41)

We really hold tight to this idea of being a _____ - _____ man or woman.

This issue of earning our _____, deserving our blessings, has been around a long time.

Whether we win or lose, we don't _____ either state!

Sometimes our ideas about what makes life _____, about what we 'deserve,' ... stand in the way of us understanding God and _____ a life of meaning and purpose.

Notice there are two acts of _____ in these verses.

Jesus' statement gave the man _____ and _____ his sense that his disability was somehow a curse that made him a lesser man.

A professor said: *“There's some pain that needs a solution, and some pain that needs a story.”*

In this moment, Jesus gave the blind man both a _____ - in physical healing – and a _____ - that he was not at fault for his ailment.

What if God gives us a story instead?

#1. – The first part of the story would be that God can use _____ part of your _____ for His glory.

Many of us settle for a _____ calling.

We think our weakness makes us less of a _____ for Christ.

It's walking in faith _____ our pain that causes others to see God's glory in our lives!

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Sheila Walsh says: *“The Good News will never be good news until you know that God knows all your bad news.”*

God is most _____ in the way we handle our _____!

#2. – You don't have to understand everything _____ God; just _____ what you do know about God.

This blind man turns his _____ time into an _____ to share the truth of Jesus.

This blind man's story is a story of hope and _____ and life and _____!

#3. – The final part of the story is that we never know _____ needs to hear God's _____ through us.

You may never get an _____ to your “Why?”

So change the question to, “_____ can God use this?”

We ask God for a _____; God gives us a _____!

God is glorified in our _____ more than our _____!

God is using our pain to _____ us into people who _____ His glory and draw others to Him!

The good news is that God can use your bad news to share the Good News!