"Blind, But Now I See"

The Conflict That Runs Throughout John
- Life versus Death.
- Belief versus Unbelief.
- Light and Darkness.
- Fines in the Sin That Man Permits from Birth.
  - Encounters Jesus and Came to See.

The Need and The Speculation

   - Pathetic Signs of Blindness
   - New Way - Old Question "Where Sin?"
   - Old Question
     - How God Can Be Glorified, We Must Annihilate

2. All About Us, All the Haunting Needs of Our Time.
   - Our Great Aching Need of Our World
     - Hunger, Disease, War
   - Our School of Missions
     - The Mission, Our Young People
   - Never Again Those Heartaches and Loneliness and Broken Lives.
(3) This is Not An Item for Speculation, the one of deep:

- Not a debate over the origin of evil.
- Not working out theories of what to do.
- But loving action and deeds of kindness.
2. Jesus Addresses Himself To The Man's Need.

1. Demands Faith and Obedience of The Man
   - Makes Spittle
   - Then asks the man to go and wash.

2. Faith Is The Great Source Of Power
   - Not a small shimmied part of life,
   - Not a basic part of Human Existence,
   - Life Is Filled With Illustrations.
     - Madame Curie
     - Thomas Edison

3. Jesus Gave The Man Signs For His Beliefs
   A. The Lens of Spiritual and Moral Beliefs.
      - Far More Than The Physical Eye.
      - Have my own moral standards.
        - Electricity, Fire and Basketball
        - Never be a prejudice.
        - My own self-centeredness.
B. The lesson of life is in Christ.

- New understanding of spiritual truths.
- New sense of right and wrong.
- New way of looking at all things.

Not simply in Christ's way of life teachings, but in Christ.
The Dialogue and The Man's Confession

   - First with the Son: "Come Sir! Do it because it was the Sabbath."
   - Then with the Parents: "Is this really your Son?"
   - "This Man was a Sinner." Second time with the Son.

2. Our Hypotiasm and Non-Belief
   - "It can't happen because I can't understand it.
   - "It can't happen because of who is involved.
   - "It can't happen because it doesn't work our way. Doesn't fit our theories."

3. Yet The Stubborn Face Stands There.
   - The Man with his simple first-hand witness.
   "I was blind, the now I see."
A. The Face of the Christian Community
   - after wars and a divided world it is still there.
   - the witness of the Congo.

B. The Face of the Christian Gospel
   - in Russia
   - in Intellectual Sophistication
     - Karl Barth, Alan Richardson.

C. The Face of the Christian Conscience
   - D. Wilton Forbes and the Negro Leader.

D. The Face of Changed Lives
   - Pacific Garden Mission
     - Alan Gallup
The Final Dialogue between Christ and the Blind Man.

1. "Do you believe in the Son of Man?"
2. "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?"
3. "You have seen him, and it is he who speaks to you."
4. "Lord, I believe."