

Stranger Things | Part 6

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God and that by believing you may have life in his name. John 20:30-31 (NLT)

> As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. John 9:1 (NLT)

What can blind me from belief in Jesus?

1. The agonizing complexity of ______.

"Rabbi," his disciples asked him, "why was this man born blind? Was it because of his own sins or his parents' sins?" "It was not because of his sins or his parents' sins," Jesus answered. "This happened so the power of God could be seen in him. John 9:2-3 (NLT)

2. The perplexing limitation of

Some of the Pharisees said, "This man Jesus is not from God, for he is working on the Sabbath." Others said, "But how could an ordinary sinner do such miraculous signs?" So there was a deep division of opinion among them. Then the Pharisees again questioned the man who had been blind and demanded, "What's your opinion about this man who healed you?" The man replied, "I think he must be a prophet." John 9:16-17 (NLT)

3. The paralyzing control of ______.

The Jewish leaders still refused to believe the man had been blind and could now see, so they called in his parents. They asked them, "Is this your son? Was he born blind? If so, how can he now see?" His parents replied, "We know this is our son and that he was born blind, but we don't know how he can see or who healed him. Ask him. He is old enough to speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jewish leaders, who had announced that anyone saying Jesus was the Messiah would be expelled from the synagogue. That's why they said, "He is old enough. Ask him." John 9:18-23 (NLT)

When Jesus heard what had happened, he found the man and asked, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" The man answered, "Who is he, sir? I want to believe in him." "You have seen him," Jesus said, "and he is speaking to you!" "Yes, Lord, I believe!" the man said. And he worshiped Jesus. John 9:35-38 (NLT)

God's Vision for Grace Church:

To partner with God in transforming people from unbelievers to fully devoted disciples of Jesus to the glory of God.

GRACE NEWS

EGG HUNT- The Egg Hunt will be at the Franklin Locks this Saturday at 10 AM. Invite all your neighbors, and please bring candy ASAP! Contact Beverly at bcox@egracechurch.com with questions.

HOLY WEEK:

MAUNDY THURSDAY - Is this Thursday at 7 PM. This will be a powerful service, so don't miss it! **GOOD FRIDAY**- is this Friday and our Youth Ministries will host a Fish Dinner at 6:00 PM. The service will be at 7 PM.

EASTER SERVICES- We will celebrate the risen Lord at the Community Sunrise Service at the Franklin Locks (Southside off Olga Road 1661 S. Franklin Lock Road) at 6:30 AM. Invite your neighbors and bring a chair! Then join us for Traditional Worship at 8:30 AM and Contemporary Worship at 10 AM followed by breakfast and a visit by some baby chicks!

FLOWERS- Please bring flowers to decorate the Cross on Easter Sunday.

WOMEN'S LUNCHEON- Join us, Saturday, May 4 from 9:30 AM-1 PM for the Annual Women's May Luncheon. We'll learn through worship, prayer, inspiring teaching, and time with other women how to let The Storm Stopper, Jesus Christ, calm any storms in your life. Tickets are \$10. Contact Jacque Rippe at 239-410-4540.

DINNER & MUSICAL-Join folks from the Central campus for an evening of fun, food, and fellowship at The Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre on Saturday, April 27 for "Second Chances: The Thrift Shop Musical." Dinner starts at 5:30 PM and Showtime is at 7:30 PM. Cost is \$66 per person, includes gratuity. Contact Chrissy ASAP at 694-2797.

LET'S CONNECT

PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BASKETS AS YOU EXIT

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MY DECISION TODAY

- I said YES for the first time,
 - and became a follower of Jesus.
- I decided to **RENEW** my relationship with Jesus.

We have resources to help you with your decision.

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAY FOR:			
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Public Prayer List	□ For Pastor	s Only	
I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:			
SMART GIVING			
go to: egracechurch.com/give -OR-			

text any amount + "Shores" to:

239.205.3123 (like this: 100 Shores)

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SCHEDULE

Worship Times:

Sunday at 8:30am (Traditional) Sunday at 10am (Contemporary)

Grace Kidz/Youth

Grace Place (Infant – 5th grade): Sunday 9:45am PrE-Team (3 - 4yo): Wed. 6-8pm E-Team (5yo to 4th grade): Wed. 6-8pm TwEEN Team (5th & 6th grade): Wed. 6-8pm Revolution (7th grade - High School): Wednesday from 6-8pm

Recovery

AA Meeting: Mon, Wed, Fri 12pm (Office) AA Men's Meeting: Monday 7 PM (Office) AA Women's Meeting: Tuesday 7pm (Office) NAR-Anon Meeting: Wed. 6:30pm (Family Rm) AA Open Discussion: Thursday 8pm (Cafe) AL Anon: Friday 12pm (Family Room) AA Open Speaker: Saturday 7pm (Cafe)

ATTENDANCE

8:30am	10am	Wed.	Total
65	203	114	382

GIVING

General Fund				
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