

FR.TK.REFLECTIONS FOURTH SUNDAY LENT 2026:

WHAT I KNOW IS THAT I CAN SEE!.

Physical Sight is a wonderful **gift** but what we see with our **mind and heart is even of more greater value.** God helps us to see more clearly beyond the physical sight. All our readings today talk of inner sight. In (1 Sam 16:1-13) prophet Samuel had to choose a king to lead the people of Israel from the sons of Jesse. They had all the dignity and physical characteristics of leadership but God knew what would make a good leader for his people. Paul's letter (Eph 5:8-14) **we have been enlightened by Christ,** where else the gospel tells us about this nameless man born blind through no **fault of his own or his parents.**

The gospel talks about **two cures.** The **healing of the blind man's eyes,** through Jesus touch he is able to see. The blind man in the process **recognized Jesus as prophet and then as the Lord.** This was the opposite of what the Pharisees did, **they were born with vision but refused to see.** They **we're spiritually blind** obviously Jesus eventually told them ***if you were born blind, there would be no sin in that but you can see and refuse to believe there is your sin.*** *what a great challenge for you and me in such situation in our current society.* are we opening both our physical, mind and spiritual eyes? Are you aware Jesus touch is available always? Which sight are we in, is it Pharisees or the nameless blind man? The choice is yours. The cured man **accepts Jesus, the Pharisees reject him.** As quickly as **he moves towards faith in Christ as Lord and into the light, they moved faster in hostility towards the lord and into darkness.** As the blind man **comes out of dark tunnel to enter to**

light,they moved to it in darkness.The blind man saw a Saviour,the pharisee saw an opponent.Through faith all us can have deeper meaning in things.what we need to do is to open the inner eyes of faith thus keeping away from spiritual blindness.our Lord uses this incident of the nameless individual born blind to illustrate a tragedy far greater than physical blindness which is spiritual blindness worse than physical.The Pharisees categorically were spiritually blind because they refused to accept Jesus as **messiah though he had all the qualities and attributes of the messiah as told by the prophets and they were experts in the scriptures.**The tragedy we have in our time is, so many are **physically sighted but spiritually unsighted when it comes to recognize Jesus as the messiah.**

At this age none of us need to suffer the blindness of religious ignorance,**hatred,inhumanity and ignorance of drugs,moral values and lack of spiritual direction,**the ways and means are available which can lead us away from spiritual blindness.We must not get tired of talking to God at the end of the day,let's schedule our program well. if we can't miss American football,baseball,Soccer of the teams we support why **should you miss communicating to your creator? None should go to God and tell him *I didn't know,I couldn't read,no one ever told me,I was forced to live in darkness,I was too blind to see!***

*We are called to **take responsibility and be that nameless blind person WHAT I KNOW IS, I WAS BLIND BEFORE,NOW I CAN SEE.***