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HOLDING ON TO WHAT GOD NEVER BREAKS ...



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2. Jesus desires my _____.

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"I don't know whether he is a sinner," the man replied. "But I know this: I was blind, and now I can see!" John 9:25 (NLT)

3. God's promise keeping is always _____.

"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)

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1. Jesus brings a SURPRISING act of love and grace to me.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS
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CONNECT

Have you ever done a remodeling or renovation project? Share with your group what you did, and the prep work that was required before you began?

ENGAGE

What was your biggest learning from the weekend's message regarding Jesus doing something new in your life?

GROW

1. The message highlights Jesus' surprising act of love toward the blind man. Has there been a time in your life when God surprised you with His grace or healing?
2. Jesus used spit and dirt to heal the man. How does this unusual method challenge your ideas about how God works in our lives?
3. The blind man never questioned Jesus, even when the healing method seemed strange. What does this teach us about trust and desperation in our faith journey?
4. In what ways can we be more honest with God about our brokenness, like the man was in simply saying, "I was blind, and now I see"?
5. How does the story show that God's promise-keeping is deeply personal and not "one-size-fits-all"?
6. Where in your life do you sense God is beginning a spiritual renovation? What would it look like to let Him complete that work?

CHALLENGE

Jesus' miracles and his interactions have always been intensely personal. Not some blanket program for people to fit in. And... Jesus is looking right at you, and right at me. Desiring to renovate and restore us... that's His promise. To let us experience His love and grace that are personal, that touch me... right where I am. His love and grace surprises me over and over again. He is the promise keeper.

This week – choose one area of your life where you can be truly honest with Jesus and ask Him to renovate.