



DGM Message Summary: Make Me Over

Takeaway: Sometimes, the issues we face aren't resolved by finding fault, but by discovering the purpose. Rather than pointing fingers and assigning blame, we need to realize that God uses difficult circumstances and difficult people to build and develop us. We only have one life to live, so we must live it with intention — as if each day were our last. Our spirits come directly from God, and our lives are intended to be used for His glory!

Scriptural References:

- John 9:1
 - As Jesus was walking along, he came across a blind man.
 - He had been blind from birth — his limitations had been with him all his life.
 - In those times, the only choice for a blind person was to become a beggar.
 - The man was a nuisance; a bothersome panhandler that people ignore or wish would go away.
 - In spite of that, Jesus just saw a man.
- John 9:2
 - The disciples started to debate the cause of the man's blindness and the circumstances behind it.
 - Jesus was different.
 - He didn't see the man as an issue to debate.
 - He saw a man that needed to be seen.
 - They asked Jesus who sinned — who was to blame. Was the man or his parents to blame for his blindness?
 - They were being theological, but not compassionate.
 - They indict him without even knowing him.
- John 9:3
 - Jesus answered: neither the man nor his parents sinned.
 - The man was blind so that the works of God could be revealed in him.
- John 9:4
 - Jesus had to do the work the Father sent him to do while it was still daylight.

- He used the setting sun to parallel the fact that his earthly ministry was coming to an end.
 - He had one life to live, so He lived it intentionally.
- John 9:5
 - Jesus said: “As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.”
 - Just as the sun is the ruler of the natural world, He is the ruler of the spiritual world.
- John 14:9
 - Jesus talks with his disciples.
 - Phillip hadn’t grasped that Jesus was the tangible, invisible God — fully human, fully divine.
 - Jesus said, “He who has seen Me has seen the Father.”
- John 9:6
 - Jesus spat on the ground.
 - Back then; saliva was used for medicinal purposes.
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- Genesis 2:7
 - God formed man from the dust of the ground.
 - There was no life in the body at first.
 - God breathed the breath of life into his nostrils.
 - Life is in the blood.
 - Man became a living being, born of dry dirt.
- Genesis 1:26
 - God said “Let Us make man in Our image...”
 - Life was drawn from what had already been made.
 - The spirit God placed inside us comes exclusively from God.

Key points:

- Any relationship with God starts and ends with Jesus.
- If you don’t accept Jesus, God has nothing else to offer. As great as He is, He can’t offer more than Himself.
- Death is an inevitable part of life. Prepare for the sunset of your life by starting everything you need to finish.
- Jesus sees in us what everyone else misses.