

Compare Naaman, 2 Kings 5: 14. **Came seeing**—What a joy to look for the first time on the earth and sky. No other temporal blessing could be compared with it.

III. SCEPTICAL FRIENDS. **8. He that was a beggar** (R. V.)—There was nothing that a blind man could do but beg. His opened eyes and lighted up countenance would change his looks very much. **11. The man that is called Jesus** (R. V.)—the well-known wonder worker, Jesus. He does not yet know him as the Christ, the Saviour of men. This miracle was wrought on the Sabbath (verse 14). Read the conclusion of this very interesting story, and note the manly bearing of the man, and his prompt and hearty acceptance of his Healer as the Son of God.

### LESSONS.

1. Suffering is not always punishment. Sometimes it is sent as discipline to the individual, and sometimes in order that God may use the sufferer for his glory and the good of others.
2. We should not waste our time, but do diligently the work that God has given us to do.
3. While we pray for health, we should expect our prayers to be answered through the use of the means that God puts in our hands.
4. Jesus alone can cure our spiritual blindness.

### QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED IN WRITING.

**To the Scholar.**—Study the lesson carefully, turning up all the references. Then close your Bible and answer in writing the questions below, without accepting aid from any quarter after you have begun to write. If you cannot come to Sabbath School, fill out the "Excuse for Absence" and send the Leaflet, with your written answers, to your teacher by some friend, or by mail, and you will receive credit for the work done as if you had been present. If your excuse is satisfactory, you will not lose in record of attendance.

- 1.—How did Jesus explain why the man was born blind? (5)
- 2.—Why should we be diligent in duty every day? (3)
- 3.—What does Jesus call Himself? (3)
- 4.—What outward means did Christ use in opening the blind man's eyes? (5)
- 5.—How did the man shew his faith in Christ? (5)
- 6.—Why were the pharisees angry at his being cured? (4)

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### EXCUSE FOR ABSENCE.

Dear Teacher, — Please excuse my absence from Sabbath School to-day, I cannot come because I have read the "Daily Portions" and answered the questions as well as I could. I have committed to memory \_\_\_\_\_ verses in addition to the Golden Text, and \_\_\_\_\_ Questions in the Catechism and have recited them to \_\_\_\_\_ I was at church \_\_\_\_\_ I send with this my Weekly Offering of \_\_\_\_\_ cents.

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