

Sermon Outline

I Was Blind, But Now I See! (Isaiah 42:14-21)

Introduction: *“Before you judge a man, walk a mile in his shoes.”*

I. GOD’S PAIN WITH HIS CHOSEN PEOPLE (v.14)

- A. God’s love was unreturned
- B. God had been patient
- C. Now, He cries out like a woman in labour – His restraint comes to an end

II. GOD’S CHOSEN PEOPLE TREATED HIM WITH INDIFFERENCE AND DISRESPECT

- A. The Israelites were chosen by God to spread God’s Word
- B. Instead, they had become spiritually blind towards Him
- C. They went through the rituals of worship, but their hearts were far from the Lord (Is 29:13)
- D. It’s a good thing we don’t bow down to images, **huh?**

III. BY HIS LOVE AND MERCY, GOD WILL LEAD THE BLIND INTO LIGHT

- A. Our response to others who keep treating us disrespectfully-Dump them!
- B. God opens our blind eyes to see His great gift of salvation in Christ, and what is really important in life
- C. God does this because of His righteousness, His holy love, and His mercy

Conclusion: *We confess with the blind man who Jesus healed, “Lord, I believe.” (John9:38)*