



Giving Sight to a Man Born Blind

John 9:1-12

Suggested setting: The God of Wonders puppet scripts adapt to any setting such as a garden, forest, farm, or stable. Once or twice a year, a set change or addition to the set is recommended for added interest. Decorate with colorful flowers, butterflies, birds, and ladybugs. Puppets can pop out from behind a window, hedge, tree hollow, stonewall, etc. For a simple, portable puppet stage, puppets can pop up from behind a colorful blanket hung on a rod, or from behind a card table turned on its side. Adjust setting and puppet names according to available puppeteers and resources.

Characters: Delbert the Donkey and Lello the Lamb are good friends who are always excited to hear Bible stories about God. The Leader is the children's teacher or worship leader dressed in regular clothing or in costume consistent with the set (a gardener, forest ranger, etc.). The leader helps children focus on and leads group interaction with the puppets.

Leader (Stands at puppet window.)
It's time to call for Delbert and Lello.
Repeat after me, "Dehhhhhl-bert, Dehhhhhl-bert!" (Children repeat and Delbert the Donkey pops head out of a window.) **"Hellooooooooooooo Lello!"** (Children repeat and Lello the Lamb pops out of a window.)

Delbert
Hee Haw! Let me hear your Hee Haw!

Leader and Children
Hee Haw! Hi, Delbert! Hi Lello!

Lello
Yeah. (bleat) Hello every-bah-dy.

Leader
Hi! Today, we are learning about the time when Jesus gave sight to the blind man.

Lello
Haw! What does blind mean?

Delbert
I know. Blind means that you cannot see. I know because my aunt is blind.

Leader
Right. Jesus chose a special way to heal this blind man's eyes.

Delbert
What did Jesus do?

Leader
Jesus put mud on the blind man's eyes. Then Jesus told the man to wash the mud from his eyes.

Lello
What happened when he washed off he mud?

Leader
The blind man could see!

Delbert

Haw! I'm glad the blind man could see, but... um... er... did God make a mistake when the man was born by making him with eyes that couldn't see?

Leader

No, God never makes mistakes. God loves us and made each of us the way we are on purpose. God gave us special differences.

Delbert

Haw! He sure did! Some of us have tails – like Lello and me.

Lello

Some have soft wool like me.

Delbert

Some people are fast and some people are slow.

Lello

Some people are tall and some people are short.

Leader

Right! And some people can see and some people are blind. But do you know what is the same for all of us?

Delbert

Haw! What? We all can hee-haw?

Leader

No, it is that each of us is very special to God. He loves and cares for each and every one of us.

Lello

Yeah, that's right. Delbert, can we go visit your aunt? I'd like to ask her what it's like to be blind and maybe I could tell her what it's like to be a lamb.

Delbert

Haw! That'd be great. Come on!

Lello

Bahhh-bye. Everybahhh-dy!

Delbert

Haw! See you soon!

Leader

Bye, Delbert. Bye, Lello.