This is beautiful on so many levels. Jesus cared that the blind man couldn’t see and healed his affliction so he wouldn’t suffer anymore. Jesus also cared that he got kicked out of the synagogue by the Pharisees. The blind man may have been permanently expelled from the synagogue (because the gospel said his parents were already afraid this would happen to them too). So, Jesus was also concerned about this man’s spiritual wellbeing too, if he was expelled from the synagogue. Jesus came to him, to heal the aftereffects of the miracle he had performed for him.

The gospel says that the former blind man acknowledged Jesus Christ as the Son of Man, but then it says he “worshiped him”. Maybe this man could no longer worship in the synagogue, but Jesus allowed this man to worship him. He healed even this situation that occurred as a result from the miracle that he performed for the blind man and provided a solid grounding for worshiping him as the Christ, the son of God.

The blind man was physically blind, but was healed and saw the light, so to speak. But then the former blind man was healed spiritually when he came to understand that Jesus was the son of God.

The gospel reading today is so beautiful. Jesus loves us in this way too. Jesus cares when we are suffering. Many people ask why does God allow suffering? But it isn’t His will that we suffer, any more than it was Jesus’ will that people suffer. Jesus spent his entire ministry easing the suffering of all the sick people that he encountered during in his public ministry.

In this Lenten season we identify with the man who was born blind and also during this time of crisis due to concerns about the Coronavirus, we feel the need for Christ to accompany us and be the one to heal our world of this disease.

Brothers and sisters, let us be in prayer, fasting and above all in sacrifices now more than ever.