

HE HAS DONE ALL THINGS WELL

Mark 7:31-37

PSALM 139:13-14

¹³ For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made...

—Why the miracle is narrated—

An odd miracle to include;

ISAIAH 35:5-6

⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶ then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert;

The picture of desolation and judgment;

DEUTERONOMY 7:22-23

²² The LORD your God will clear away these nations before you little by little. You may not make an end of them at once, *lest the wild beasts grow too numerous for you.* ²³ But the LORD your God will give them over to you and throw them into great confusion, until they are destroyed.

The signs that the Son of God has come:

MATTHEW 11:3-5

³ And said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?" ⁴ And Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: ⁵ the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them.

—Why the miracle is performed in such an odd manner—

Jesus "felt" the weight of sin's destructiveness;

ISAIAH 53:4

⁴ Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows...

The fallen human heart

ROMANS 7:7-8

⁷ What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. For I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, "You shall not covet." ⁸ But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. For apart from the law, sin lies dead.

The true mark of a disciple;

JOHN 8:31

 31 So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples...

He does all things well;

GENESIS 1:31

³¹ And God saw everything that he had made, *and behold, it was very good*...

The literal fulfilment;

MATTHEW 5:16

¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works *and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.*

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