

LESSON 41

MARK 10:46-52

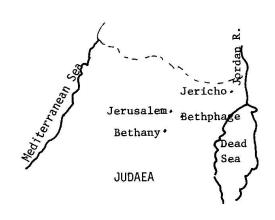
REVIEW:

Which two men wanted the best seats in the kingdom of God and . Where did they want to sit?

Jesus said in verse 44 that if a man wants to be chief, he should be willing to become the of all.

READ MARK 10:46

BLIND BARTIMAEUS



1. Where did this story happen: (verse 46)

Jesus had just crossed the Jordan River and was on His way to Jerusalem. The road passed through Jericho. Jericho was the Old Testament city whose walls fell down when the children of Israel marched around it seven times. It makes us remember that God will do great things for all who have faith in Him. This city was

built again but not by faith. See Joshua 6:26 and 1 Kings 16:34.

2. A crowd was coming out of Jericho. They followed Jesus and His disciples.



They heard a man yelling. He was sitting beside the road. What was the man's name? (verse 46) . Whose son was he?

- 3. Why was the man sitting beside the road?
 - Why was he begging?
- 4. Bartimaeus cried out loud. What did he say?
- 5. When the blind beggar heard someone coming, he asked for money. He could

not work. They had no welfare to help him in those days.

6.	When Bartimaeus heard that Jesus was coming that way, did he ask Jesus to				
	give him money?	. What did he ask Jesus to do in verse 47?			
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	What name did Bartimaeus call Jesus? (verse 47)			Son of	

- 7. Who was David? (2 Samuel 2:4)
- 8. When Bartimaeus called Jesus the Son of David, we know that he had faith. He knew that God had promised to send the Messiah (the Christ). The Jews had been waiting for Christ to come for thousands of years. God had promised that He would come from the family of King David. When the blind man cried out, "Jesus, thou Son of David," it seems that the man believed that God's promised One had come.

The prophets had said that the Messiah would give sight to blind people. (Luke 4:17,18) Besides, Bartimaeus must have heard how Jesus was healing sick people, and making blind people see. Do you think, then, that this blind beggar had good reason for his faith?

- 9. Did the people think the blind beggar should cry out and make such a noise when Jesus was coming? (verse 48)
- 10. What did a lot of people tell Bartimaeus to do? (verse 48) " his ."
- 11. Did that make the blind man keep quiet?. What did he do when they told him to keep quiet?.

12.	What did Jesus do when he heard the blind man crying so loudly? (verse 49)				
	1) Jesus .				
	2) Jesus him .				
13.	Now the people stopped telling the blind man to "hold his peace." What two				
	things did the people tell him now? (verse 49)				
	1) "				
	2) "				
14.	How do you know the blind man came to Jesus in a hurry? (verse 50) He threw				
	away , and came to Jesus.				
15.	Say in your own words what Jesus asked the blind man. (verse 51)				
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16.	What did the man ask Jesus to do for him? .				
17.	Jesus said (verse 2) "thy hath				
	made thee ."				
	Bartimaeus believed the Son of David could Jesus will do great things for all who have faith				
cure h	nim. The prophets had said that Messiah would in Him.				
give s	ight to the blind. This blind man's faith was				
basec	d on good reasons. God gives us reasons for faith too. God gives us many				
reaso	n in His Word for faith in Him. As we study the Bible, our faith grows strong too.				
(Roma	ans 10:17) God will do great things for all who have faith in Him.				
18.	As soon as Jesus saw the blind man's faith, Jesus made him see. How soon did				
	the blind man begin to see?				
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19.	Who would be the first one Bartimaeus saw? . It must have				
	been wonderful for him. The first face he saw would be the face of Jesus!				
	Not only could the blind beggar see, but his whole life was changed. How do we				
	know this? Read again verse 52. Where did Jesus tell the man to go?				

20. There was another interesting thing. When Jesus called Bartimaeus, verse 50 says that he cast away his garment. This would be a long outer robe, like a coat. He probably threw it away because he did not want anything to get in his way. He was in a hurry to get to Jesus. Does it say that Bartimaeus ever went back to pick up that garment? When Bartimaeus was blind, he did not see how dirty and ragged his old clothes were. Now he could see. He did not want that old dirty thing anymore. He never knew how bad it looked when he was blind.

When we come to Jesus and get a look at Him in God's Word, the Bible, our eyes are opened too. Our life is changed. Then when we look back at our dirty sinful old life, we do not want it anymore. Just imagine trying to follow Jesus, if we still wear our old life of sin. In Jude 23 he says,

"Hating the very garment spotted by the flesh."

When we let Jesus into our hearts and lives, He changes us. Then He gives us His own new robe of righteousness. The new garment we get from Jesus is clean and white, and not spoiled by sin. (Philippians 3:9)

Revelation 19:8 says,

"And to her (the bride of Christ) was granted that she should be arrayed (dressed) in fine linen, clean and white; for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints."

"Turn your eyes upon Jesus; Look full in His wonderful face, And the things of earth Will grow strangely dim, In the light of His glory and grace."

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SO IF ANY MAN BELONGS TO CHRIST,

HE IS A NEW PERSON, HIS OLD LIFE HAS GONE.

YOU SEE, HE HAS BEGUN A NEW LIFE.

BUT IT IS GOD WHO HAS DONE ALL THIS.

HE SENT CHRIST TO MAKE PEACE WITH US AND

TO BRING US BACK TO HIM.

NOW HE HAS GIVEN US THE WORK OF

BRINGING OTHER PEOPLE BACK TO GOD.

II Corinthians 5:17,18
(Good News for the World.)

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