

MARK 10:46-52

Earlier in Mark 10, Jesus met a rich man who chose to stay put, rather than give up his wealth and follow Jesus.

In this passage, Jesus is still on his way to Jerusalem, and still meeting all sorts of people along the way.

When Bartimaeus heard that Jesus was nearby he began to call out.

Bartimaeus didn't risk being jostled by the crowd, or being pushed in the wrong direction.

He stayed put and shouted - very loudly.

When the crowd told him to be quiet, he shouted even more loudly; it sounds as though he put his whole heart and soul into it.

His cries were heard, and Jesus called for Bartimaeus to go to him.

When Jesus asked Bartimaeus what he wanted, Bartimaeus was absolutely certain, "I want to see!"

Jesus said to Bartimaeus, "Your faith has healed you."

Bartimaeus chose to follow Jesus down the road. He didn't even turn back to let anyone know that he had been healed. He wanted to remain in Jesus' company. Those first moments of sight were precious, and he wanted to experience that in the presence of Jesus.

The rich man was asked to give up what mattered to him; the other was offered his sight, so they were very different circumstances.

Perhaps, whether we have much, or whether we have nothing doesn't matter as much as whether we have Jesus in our hearts, and are ready to respond to him.

Mark 10:46-52 (NIV)

Blind Bartimaeus Receives His Sight

⁴⁶ Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means "son of Timaeus"), was sitting by the roadside begging.

⁴⁷ When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

⁴⁸ Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

⁴⁹ Jesus stopped and said, "Call him."

So they called to the blind man, "Cheer up! On your feet! He's calling you."

⁵⁰ Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus.

⁵¹ "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him.

The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see."

⁵² "Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

HOME RULES

ALWAYS BE HONEST

Proverbs 12:22

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

Psalms 34:1-3

FORGIVE AND FORGET

Micah 7:18

BE KIND AND TENDER HEARTED

Ephesians 4:32

COMFORT ONE ANOTHER

1 Thessalonians 4:18

BE SUPPORTIVE OF ONE ANOTHER

Acts 30:35

BE TRUE TO EACH OTHER

Deuteronomy 15:11

TREAT EACH OTHER LIKE YOU TREAT YOUR FRIENDS.

Matthew 7:12

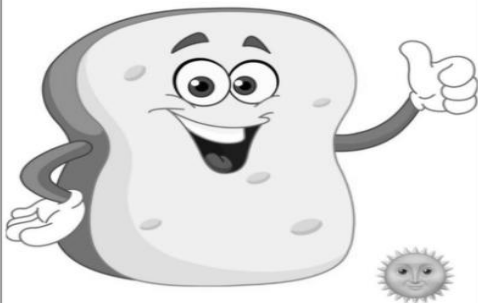
And most important

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

Deeply from the heart

1Peter 1:22

Bread is like the Sun:



**it rises in the yeast,
and sets in the waist.**

Speak Up!

When Bartimaeus heard that Jesus of Nazareth was nearby, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Mark 10:47 (NLT)

Based on Mark 10:46-52



ACROSS

2. Kind or compassionate treatment

6. Confident belief in the truth

7. Making an urgent plea; asking for charity

8. To be restored to health; cured

DOWN

1. Unable to see

3. To make happier or more joyful; a shout of encouragement

4. Making little or no noise

5. The ability to see

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 B O V T B B T N A Q C I T Y Q
 X H E S A F U P S U O F Z F R
 P E Z C R Z A Y Z I I I B R M
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BLIND	BARTIMAEUS	ROADSIDE	FAITH	CHEER
HEALED	JERICO	MERCY	FEET	JESUS
SIGHT	FOLLOWED	CROWD	DISCIPLES	CITY
BEGGING	JUMPED	QUIET	RABBI	SHOUT