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Mark 10:46-52

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.

Bartimaeus had a great need.

Jesus heard the blind man’s call.

All you have to do is call on the name of Jesus!

Matthew 7:9-11

⁹ “Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone? ¹⁰ Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? ¹¹ If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!

Jeremiah 33:3

³ ‘Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.’

God wants to answer us when we call to Him.

Bartimaeus’ show of faith that got Jesus’ attention.

Do you believe Jesus can deliver on His promise?



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Jeremiah 31:3

³ *I have loved you with an everlasting love;
I have drawn you with unfailing kindness.*

Job 3:25

²⁵ *What I feared has come upon me;
what I dreaded has happened to me.*

God wants us to run to Him – not from Him!

The enemy has the most access to our hearts at the place of our wound.

“God calls us to run away to Him, not from Him. He asks us to not fix our gaze on other people’s lives and compare them to our own but to look to Him for the source of our worthy life. He asks us to find our rest in Him. He is our resting place. When I am exhausted, the temptation is to turn from God, thinking that He requires more from me than I have to give. I may believe I need to muster some passion from a dry well and focus on improving my performance. I may think I need to pull myself up by my bootstraps when I’m too tired to put my shoes on. I am wrong.”

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God wants us to rest in Him, not run from Him.

Exodus 33:14

¹⁴ *The LORD replied, “My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.”*

Matthew 11:28-29

²⁸ *“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.*

Psalms 23:1-2

¹ *The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing.
² He makes me lie down in green pastures,
he leads me beside quiet waters*



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Psalm 62:1

*¹ Truly my soul finds rest in God;
my salvation comes from him.*

Psalm 91:1-2; 14-16

*¹ Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.*

*² I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress,
my God, in whom I trust."*

*¹⁴ "Because he loves me," says the LORD, "I will rescue him;
I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.*

*¹⁵ He will call on me, and I will answer him;
I will be with him in trouble,
I will deliver him and honor him.*

*¹⁶ With long life I will satisfy him
and show him my salvation."*

Calling out to Jesus changed Bartimaeus' identity.

HEALING MANIFESTO

Lord, I commit to the following:

I will be real with You. That means admitting I'm not OK at times.

I will resist the urge to self-manage.

I will cooperate with Your work through obedience.

I will stop speaking negativity.

I will submit to Your process of removing the indelible stain of my sin and brokenness.



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