



## Sermon Notes

Season of Healing  
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### **Mark 10:46-52**

<sup>46</sup> 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. <sup>47</sup> When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”

<sup>48</sup> Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!”

<sup>49</sup> Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.”

So they called to the blind man, “Cheer up! On your feet! He’s calling you.” <sup>50</sup> Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus.

<sup>51</sup> “What do you want me to do for you?” Jesus asked him.

The blind man said, “Rabbi, I want to see.”

<sup>52</sup> “Go,” said Jesus, “your faith has healed you.” Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

***Jesus heard the blind man’s call.***

***Bartimaeus’ show of faith that got Jesus’ attention.***

***Our struggles and hurts often have a voice that is louder than the voice of our Healer.***

***Our hurts and rejection from some people often prevent us from embracing love and support from others.***

***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.***

### **Psalm 147:2-3**

<sup>2</sup> The LORD builds up Jerusalem;  
he gathers the exiles of Israel.

<sup>3</sup> He heals the brokenhearted  
and binds up their wounds.

***God heals the broken and wounded places in our hearts, and closes the door so the enemy can’t access it anymore.***



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*Calling out to Jesus changed Bartimaeus' identity.*

*Does the world want what you have?*

**2 Thessalonians 2:16-17**

<sup>16</sup> May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, <sup>17</sup> encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.

*Our hope in God is reasonable.*

*Biblical hope means hoping when there is no hope.*

*"Hope means hoping when things are hopeless, or it is no virtue at all."*  
GK Chesterton

*"There are no hopeless situations; there are only people who have grown hopeless about them."*  
Clare Boothe Luce.

*We identify with what we hope in.*

*We cannot hope in something if we cannot identify with it.*

**Psalm 33:22**

<sup>22</sup> May your unfailing love be with us, LORD,  
even as we put our hope in you.

**1 John 5:19**

<sup>19</sup> We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies under the sway of the wicked one.

*"Satan doesn't own this world, but he has access to it. His influence is found everywhere – in government, education, entertainment, business, the family, ecclesiastical realms...everywhere! The mind that knows no better will receive what the world dispenses and believe that's all there is."*  
Oswald Chambers





