

SON OF DAVID
--MARK 10:46-52--

INTRODUCTION:

The miracles of Jesus are numberless, but in only one are we given the name of the person whom Jesus healed. This passage describes the healing of a blind man named Bartimaeus. Knowing this is the only named individual whom Jesus healed makes one wonder if this is just a coincidence or did Mark intentionally give us the name of this man. Why would Mark include another one of Jesus' healings, especially at this point in time, when Jesus was moving resolutely toward Jerusalem. Why is this incident so important?

The importance has to do with the fact that this takes place after the discussion Jesus had with His disciples after James and John had requested that He allow them to sit on His right and His left in His glory. In this context, Bartimaeus stands in stark contrast with the behavior of the disciples as they argued and debated about who was the greatest among them. By taking the time to serve this lowly man, Jesus set a powerful example for His disciples.

- I. SON OF TIMAEUS (Mark 10:46-48)
- a. Remember Jesus was going resolutely to Jerusalem and on their way they passed through _____.
 - b. Mark records that _____ was leaving Jericho with His disciples and a large crowd.
 - c. As they exited the city the crowd began to pass by some _____ alongside the road. (Matthew 16:17)
 - d. Luke in the parallel passage in chapter 18 tells us that _____ began to ask what was the meaning of this large crowd going by?
 - e. As he began to call out, "Jesus, Son of David, have _____ on me!" those in the crowd began telling him to be silent, but this made him cry out all the more.
 - f. Let's stop for just a moment and look at what he was actually _____ in his cries to Jesus.
 - g. First, he was very aware of his _____.

- h. Second, Bartimaeus displayed penetrating insight into the _____ of Christ.
- i. This truth about who Jesus truly was, promoted the third aspect of his heart—his amazing, passionate _____.

II. SON OF MAN (Mark 10:49-50)

- a. Remember that Jesus was marching resolutely to _____.
- b. Mark continues, "So they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take courage, stand up! He is _____ for you.'" (Mark 10:49b, NASB95)

III. SON OF GOD (Mark 10:51-52)

- a. Then Mark writes, "And answering him, Jesus said, 'What do you want Me to _____ for you?'" (Mark 10:51a, NASB95)
- b. Repeatedly in the Gospels we see that when people spoke to Jesus, they addressed Him as "Teacher" or "_____." But Bartimaeus called Him "Rabboni."
- c. This slight alteration of the title "_____" is very significant; rabboni means far more than "professor" or "teacher."
- d. Mark writes the words of the Son of God, "And Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you _____. ' Immediately he regained his sight and began following Him on the road.'" (Mark 10:52, NASB95)

CONCLUSION:

What do we learn from this event? First, to those who are being called to the Savior, we should say "Take courage, stand up! He is calling for you." We are to reach out to those whom the Holy Spirit has shown their inner darkness and helplessness. What then are these to do? First, they are to cry out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Second, they are to come Him and tell Him their need: "Lord, take away my sin. Give me life!" Jesus the Nazarene, the Son of Man and the Son of God is passing by some of those around us today, say to them, "Take courage, stand up! He is calling for you."