Fellowship Group Winter Study: Lesson 09 | Week of 4/2/17



To See

Text: Mark 10:46-52

Context: Last weekJesus told of His future suffering (for the third time so far in Mark) and it led to requests for position and power and jealous grumbling among the disciples. Jesus reminded the disciples that following Him is about service not position and power (Mk 10:45). In this week's passage Jesus and the disciples have a brief visit to Jericho and meet a blind man who sees Jesus. Will the disciples see? Will we see the Servant King?

Read Mark 10:46-52

1) Blind Bartimaeus declared: Jesus the Nazarene is the Son of David! (Mark 10:46-48) What does it mean that Bartimaeus was a "beggar"? Why would people be so harsh to Bartimaeus? How could the people be so blind, but Blind Bartimaeus clearly "see" who Jesus was?

2) Jesus stops. (Mark 10:49-50)

Why do you think Jesus stopped? How does Jesus stopping change the crowd? How does Mark 10:50 describe the faith of Bartimaeus?

3) Jesus heals the blind. (Mark 10:51-52)

Why does Jesus ask Bartimaeus what he wants? Where or when does Jesus see faith in Bartimaeus? What does the immediacy of the healing of Bartimaeus say a bout Jesus' power to heal?

BIG IDEA: Jesus makes the blind see, and then they follow Jesus. (Mark 10:52)

Je sus tellsBartimaeus, "Go; your faith has made you well." (Mark 10:52a) The blind man who couldn't see did see and declare that Jesus from Nazareth was the Son of David! Bartimaeus' faith in Jesus to heal him speaks to us today. It's up to us to see who Jesus is –The Servant King. If we've seen Him, like Bartimaeus, we follow Him.

Why did Bartimaeus believe Jesus could restore his sight?

- What blindness has Jesus restored in your life? What blindness does Jesus need to restore in your life?
- How can the group help you see Jesus and follow Him this week?

Next Week's Passage: Easter Service (Read: Mark 16:1-8)

Help Welcome Guests to Fellowship Brentwood this Easter:

Make plans as a group or individually to make room at our key services for our guests on Easter Weekend. Please help by NOT attending at the 9:30 or 11:00am services. Join the rest of our church family by attending Saturday 4:00 or 5:30pm, or Sunday at 8:00am or 12:30pm (Note: No childcare at 12:30pm).