

FROM BLINDNESS TO BELIEF
Luke 18:35-43
(Parallel Passages: Matt 20:29-34; Mark 10:46-52)

INTRODUCTION:

Based on our text, as Jesus approached Jericho, there was a certain blind man sitting by the road, begging. He was Physically and Spiritually Blind. Jesus saved this Blind man and He will save you.

- “Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new” (2 Cor 5:17).

In this evangelistic message, we will study five (5) characteristics of the Blind Man:

- I. **THE CONDITION OF THE BLIND MAN** (v. 35)
 - A. This man was Physically Blind – He was described as “A Certain Blind Man”
 - B. This man was Needy – He was a Beggar – He made his living by begging.
 - C. This man was Spiritually Blind – All Unsaved people are Spiritually Blind (Rom 2:8-9; 2 Thess 2:12; 2 Cor 4:3-4; 1 Cor 1:18; 1 John 2:15-16).

- II. **THE HOPE OF THE BLIND MAN** (vv. 36-38)
 - A. Although, this man was blind, he could hear (v. 36-37)
 - B. The Blind Man recognized the name Jesus (v. 38; Mark 1:34; Rom 10:9-10; 2 Cor 6:2).

- III. **THE PERSISTENCE OF THE BLIND MAN** (v. 39)
 - A. The multitude tried to get the Blind Man to keep quiet – “Hold his Peace”
 - B. The Blind Man was desperate and determined to get Jesus’ attention.
 - C. This Man believed that Jesus could help him.
 - D. We are to keep in mind that Jesus came to save us (Luke 9:56; 2 Pet 3:9)

- IV. **THE CONVERSION OF THE BLIND MAN** (vv. 40-42)
 - A. Jesus heard the man’s cry for Him to help (v. 40)
 - B. Jesus asked the Blind man – “What wilt thou that I should do unto thee?” (v. 41)
 - C. The Blind man replied – “Lord, that I might receive my sight” (v. 41)
 - D. Jesus informed the Blind Man in v. 42 – “Receive thy sight: Thy faith hath made thee whole.” (Acts 16:31; Eph 2:8-9)

- V. **THE APPRECIATION OF THE BLIND MAN** (V. 43)
 - A. It was the Word of Jesus that assured him of his Salvation.
 - B. The Man Clung to Christ
 - C. When Salvation Comes into our Lives (Matt 5:16; 2 Thess 1:12)

CONCLUSION:

- A. (John 3:17)
- B. Amazing Grace
- C. Adrian Rogers says, “Man’s greatest need is to see his own Spiritual Blindness.
- D. Romans Road to Salvation (Rom 3:10, 23; 5:8; 10:9, 13)

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“... the word of our God shall stand for ever” (Isa 40:8).