

Breaking The Cycle Of Just Going Through The Motions!

Mark 10:46-53

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.

I. Be responsible for your own life!

"When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout."

Mt. 21:43 - "Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit."

II. Be a believer in the truth that He can change your life!

He said, "Rabbi, I want to see!"

III. Be specific about your need!

Jesus said, "What do you want me to do for you?"

IV. Be unconcerned about what others who are stuck in a cycle might say!

"Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet"

V. Be willing to go to Him no matter the circumstances!

"As Jesus and His disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city."

VI. Be confident in His will and power as you approach Him!

"Throwing his cloak aside."

Hebrews 4:16 - Let us then approach God's throne of grace with CONFIDENCE, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

VII. Be willing to act immediately when He speaks!

"...he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus"