

JESUS STOPPED

Part five of series: *Miraculous*

Your way, O God, is holy. What god is great like our God? You are the God who works wonders; you have made known your might among the peoples. You with your arm redeemed your people... Psalm 77:13-14 ESV

And they came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart. Get up; he is calling you." And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. And Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" And the blind man said to him, "Rabbi, let me recover my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way. Mark 10:46-52 ESV

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Discuss these questions with someone – maybe a family member, friend, or member of your Grace Group. Use a communication method that works best for your situation.

WARM-UP: Do you have any summer plans? Goals? // How is your week going so far?

REVIEW: We can apply several truths to our own life from the story of Bartimaeus in the Bible. Bartimaeus was a blind beggar who cried out to Jesus for mercy. His story reminds us to see Jesus in the midst of difficult circumstances. When we need a miracle, we should approach God with our problem, pray for Him to intervene, and praise Him even when we don't yet see an answer. Let's choose to see what God is doing right now. Let's trust that Jesus is always near to our situation as we believe for a miracle, including the greatest miracle of all: salvation. Read the message notes and be ready to apply what you've read to your life.

APPLY: What stood out to you from this past Sunday's message/the Scriptures we just read, and why? // What is a need in your life that you can boldly bring to Jesus? What is the hardest part about trusting Jesus with your needs, and why? Do you have a hard time believing that he is near, that he will take time to listen, or that you will receive a miracle? Share of a time when God did something miraculous in your life. // What "miracle" are you waiting on God for? // Let's continue to pray for those who need to know Christ.

PRAY: Pray for those on your "VIP 5x5". Thank Jesus for being the God of miracles. Let's also believe God in prayer for one another's needs in the group.

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. 2Timothy 3:16-17

Bible Reading

- May 30:** 2 Chronicles 10-12, John 11:30-57
- May 31:** 2 Chronicles 13-14, John 12:1-26
- June 1:** 2 Chronicles 15-16, John 12:27-50
- June 2:** 2 Chronicles 17-18, John 13:1-20
- June 3:** 2 Chronicles 19-20, John 13:21-38
- June 4:** 2 Chronicles 21-22, John 14
- June 5:** 2 Chronicles 23-24, John 15
- June 6:** 2 Chronicles 25-27, John 16



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