# Leader Conversation Guide – XXVII - Mark

### Main Idea

This week Pastor Curt continued our XXVII series with a message from chapter 10 of the Gospel of Mark. The faith of Bartimaeus is commended by Jesus, because Bartimaeus did not just identify Him as a prophet or a teacher, but as the "Son of David." Jesus saw his faith and called him forward to be healed. Immediately upon receiving his healing, Bartimaeus follow Jesus. Let's dig deeper into the faith of Bartimaeus and how it can apply to our lives...

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### Make It Practical: Blessed are...

#### 1. <u>See Jesus.</u>

- a. "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" (Mark 10:47)
- b. Bartimaeus saw Jesus before he could see Jesus.
- c. There is always spiritual perception before a physical reception.
- 2. Silence the skeptics.
  - a. Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" (Mark 10:48)
  - b. Pleasing God often means disappointing people.
  - c. Becoming obsessed with what <u>God thinks</u> about you, is the quickest way to forget what people think about you.
- 3. Step out in faith.

a. Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus. (Mark 10:50) 4. <u>Surrender to Jesus.</u>

a. "Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road. (Mark 10:52)

# **Talk About It**

- What part of this message impacted you the most?
- "What are you holding on to that's holding you down?"
- "Are the people around you silencing the prayer inside you?"
- What does it mean to prioritize the Healer over the healing in our lives?

# Even when you can't see Jesus, He has never lost sight of you.

## **Prayer**

Father, thank You for seeing us. Help us to see You. We need You to open our spiritual eyes to our own blindness, and convict us of the things in this life which keep us from You. Holy Spirit, help us to pursue righteousness before earthly pleasures and gain. You are the one who sustains us and gives us new life each and every day. Thank You for the blessings You have given us, even when we don't recognize them. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

# Leader Tip

Remind Group Members that Baptisms happen on the 4th Sunday of every month, and it's not too late to sign up!