

Life Matters

Scripture Reference: Mark 10:46-52

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. ⁴⁷ 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!" ⁴⁸ And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹ And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart. Get up; he is calling you." ⁵⁰ And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹ 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." ⁵² 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.

1. Jesus RECOGNIZED the VALUE in all people. vs.48-49
 - Human value is based on God's DESIGN, not our DECISIONS
2. Jesus RESPONDED to the NEEDS of people. vs.50-52

➤ REMEMBER and REJOICE

Mark 12:29-31; Psalm 139:14 ; 1 Peter 1:18-19

➤ STOP and SEE

Philippians 2:3-4;20-21; Galatians 5:24-25

➤ PRAY and PURSUE

1 John 3:17-18; Acts 20:35; Prov. 19:17;21 ; Isaiah 1:17

"The more we stand in awe of God, the less we'll stand in judgment of each other." (Bob Goff)