

During Difficult Times

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Lessons From a Blind Beggar

1. Don't wait for perfect _____ .

Then they came to Jericho. And as He was leaving Jericho with His disciples and a large crowd, a blind beggar named Bartimaeus, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the road. **Mark 10:46**

2. Concentrate on what you _____ .

When he heard that it was Jesus the Nazarene, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" **Mark 10:47**

3. Don't be _____ by public opinion.

Many were sternly telling him to be quiet, but he kept crying out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" **Mark 10:48**

Three Types of People to Overcome

- a. Faith _____ .
- b. Faith _____ .
- c. Faith _____ .

4. Jesus hears the cries of _____ people.

Jesus stopped and said, "Call him here." So they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take courage, stand up! He is calling for you." **Mark 10:49**

Throwing aside his cloak, he jumped up and came to Jesus. **Mark 10:50**

And answering him, Jesus said, "What do you want Me to do for you?" And the blind man said to Him, "Rabboni, I want to regain my sight!" **Mark 10:51**

5. Follow Jesus when things get _____ .

And Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and began following Him on the road. **Mark 10:52**

Prayer Ideas

- Thank God that He hears the cries of your heart.
- Ask Him to help you see what you have and not focus on what you don't have.
- Ask for strength to stand in difficult times.

Reflection

- Think of a difficult time. How did you make it through it?
- Did other people help or hurt?
- Where was God in your struggle?

Taking Action

- Who can you help and encourage today?
- Pray with someone you know going through a difficult time. Stand with them.



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