

# The Blind Who Saw

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## I. Introduction.

- A. Text: Matthew 20:29-34.
- B. God not only knows what pain we endure, he feels it.
- C. Blindness was common in Jesus' time, but spiritual blindness was even more common. (John 1, 3, Romans 11)
- D. People are spiritually blind because of sin, Satan and God. (2 Corinthians 8)
- E. Jesus gave physical sight as a Messianic preview and as a marvelous picture of what he wanted to do with the soul.

## II .Two blind beggars remarkably call out to Jesus by his Messianic title.

- A. Bartimaeus is named probably because he was well known in the church.
- B. They cried out for mercy in their deep need. They knew they had no merit of their own.
- C. They were able to see spiritually even though they were blind physically because they gave him the Messianic name. (2 Samuel 7:12)

## III. Jesus had compassion and instantly all physical laws were set aside.

## IV. The blind men followed Jesus in pursuit. (Mark 10:52)

- A. Faith was not necessary for healing.
- B. Faith was necessary for salvation. These were saved.
- C. They demonstrate their salvation in that they followed glorifying God. (Luke 18:33)

## Application Questions:

1. How have you experienced the gift of spiritual sight in your journey with God?

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2. What kind of evidence does the true removal of spiritual blindness produce?

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3. Why is it important to recognize that we bring no merit when we come to Jesus? Explain.

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