

Believe Ye That I am Able

Matthew 9:27-31, “And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, Thou Son of David, have mercy on us. And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am able to do this? They said unto him, Yea, Lord. Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you. And their eyes were opened; and Jesus straitly charged them, saying, See that no man know it. But they, when they were departed, spread abroad his fame in all that country.”

There is no more of an amazing life than the Lord Jesus Christ throughout the Scripture. We are told this is the fifteenth miracle. Everything was no recorded. John 21:25, “And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen.” Everything we need to know on how to prepare to meet Jesus Christ is found in the King James Bible.

Everyone that came into contact with Jesus Christ was changed. There were great changes in the heart of men and women that came into contact with the Lord. Jesus was always willing to take time for the common man. He was moved with the conditions affecting His children. The message of God’s Word gives hope to a hurting heart. Jesus had just healed the woman with the issue of blood and raise Jarius’ daughter from the dead. We do not know the blind men had heard about these two instances, but no doubt they had heard something about our blessed Lord.

I. WE SEE THEIR CONCERN.

A. Their Condition: (Both were blind)

The only thing we know about them is they were blind. These two men had a desire to see. They were sick of being blind. How east to be content with where we are at in life.

It is possible that there were others in the same condition that chose not to follow the Lord.

B. Their Commitment: (Both followed) Both did not have to follow.

C. Their Cry (Thou Son of David have mercy on us)

The only thing they asked for was mercy. Could it be they desired more than sight in their lives? They were not complaining about their lot in life. They wanted mercy. The only one that could meet their cry was “supreme authority” or Lord Jesus have mercy on us.

There is a spiritual and physical blindness. 2 Corinthians 4:3-4, “But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.”

II. WE SEE THEIR COMMITMENT: Both followed into the house.

They came to Jesus in someone someone’s home. I do not know if their cry continued until they were noticed, but they would not quit. Warren Wiersbe said, “We are not told why they were blind. Blindness was a serious problem in the East in that day. The record states that Jesus healed at least six blind men, and each case was different. These two blind men acknowledged Christ as the Son of David and persisted in following Him right into the house. It was their faith that Christ honored.”

III. WE SEE THEIR CONFIDENCE.

Much of our time is spent in living by sight instead of faith. They continued to follow until they got their answer. “Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am able to do this?” Many times we will admit that God can, but doubt that He will. A lack of faith can limit God and cause Him not

to get the glory out of our lives. They replied to Jesus saying, “Yae, Lord.” The Greek word is “kurios” meaning supreme in authority.

IV. WE SEE THEIR CONQUEST.

Jesus touched their eyes and they could see. The Bible is silent on how long they were blind. They may have never seen the beautiful creation of God. The very first thing they saw was the Creator. These men received more than they asked for.

They were told in verse 30, “See that no man know it.” How could you hide something this great. Everyone that knew them understood something miraculous had taken place. They must have told others. They must have looked for other blind men. Verse 31 tells us they spread it throughout the country. We are not told in this passage that others gave God the glory for what He did for them but we are told they found a dumb man who was possessed with a devil and brought him to Jesus. This man had the devil cast out and spoke. Jesus received the glory from this man. Verse 35 is the result of the testimony of two unnamed blind men.

May God help us to give Him the glory for what He has done in our life.

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