

Get Louder

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⁴⁶Then they reached Jericho, and as Jesus and His disciples left town, a large crowd followed Him. A blind beggar named Bartimaeus (son of Timaeus) was sitting beside the road. ⁴⁷When Bartimaeus heard that Jesus of Nazareth was nearby, he began to shout, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' ⁴⁸'Be quiet!' many of the people yelled at him. But **he only shouted louder**, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' ⁴⁹When Jesus heard him, He stopped and said, 'Tell him to come here.' So they called the blind man. 'Cheer up,' they said. 'Come on, He's calling you!' ⁵⁰Bartimaeus threw aside his coat, jumped up, and **came to Jesus**. ⁵¹'What do you want me to do for you?' Jesus asked. 'My Rabbi,' the blind man said, 'I want to see!' ⁵²And Jesus said to him, 'Go, for **your faith has healed you**.' Instantly the man could see, and **he followed Jesus** down the road." Mark 10:46-52 (NLT)

1. Bartimaeus was a man with a **desperate** need.

- How do you handle a desperate need?

He got louder

"... the Lord directs our steps and establishes them." Proverbs 16:9 (AMP)

"If you look for me wholeheartedly, you will find me." Jeremiah 29:13 (NLT)

2. Bartimaeus was a man with a **knowledge** of the need.

- What do you do with boldness and the facts of a desperate need?

He came to Jesus

"Give all your worries and cares to God, for He cares about you." 1 Peter 5:7 (NLT)

3. Bartimaeus was a man with a **determination** of the need.

- What happens when our need and boldness is given to Jesus?

He was healed

"And this same God who takes care of me will supply **all** your needs from His glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:19 (NLT)

"Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and He will give you everything you need." Matthew 6:33 (NLT)

"The future glory of this Temple will be greater than its past glory, says the Lord of Heaven's Armies. And in this place I will bring peace. I, the Lord of Heaven's Armies, have spoken!" Haggai 2:9 (NLT)