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The Journey To Jerusalem | Blind and Begging | Luke 18:31-43

1. V31-33. Who is Jesus speaking to? In predicting his death for the third time, what new emphasis did Jesus give (9:22,44; 24:44)? What did he want them to know about “the Son of Man”?
2. What would happen to Jesus (32-33)? Why did he have to suffer and die this way (Isa 53:4,5; 1Pe 2:24)? Why rise again (Ac 2:23-34; 1Pe 1:3,4)? How did the Twelve respond, and when and how would they understand (34; 24:45)?
3. What does the title, “the Son of David” teach about Jesus (2Sa 7:12-13; Ac 13:22)?
4. V38 What did the blind man cry out to Jesus? When rebuked, why did he keep crying out (v39)? Have a look at Jesus teaching earlier in Luke 18:13-14 and the acceptance of such a cry for mercy. Have you ever cried this prayer, for yourself? For others?
5. V39 How might we be guilty of hindering people who are seeking Jesus because we have tried to silence them instead of encouraging them? Share any examples. How can we be more like Jesus and listen to them so that they feel valued?
6. How desperate are you for God’s attention? What is hindering you from running after Jesus like Bartimaeus did? Are you concerned with what others say, or are you going to get to Jesus no matter the cost?
7. Why did Jesus ask the blind man, "What do you want me to do for you?" What was Jesus' purpose in asking the question? Contrast the response with James and John in Mark 10:35-45. Imagine Jesus asking you the same question today. What would you say?
8. V42 How did the blind man respond when he received his sight? What do you think we can learn from Bartimaeus about the nature of genuine discipleship?
9. What was it like for you when Jesus first opened your eyes to the truth of who He is? Share your story and then spend some time praying for friends and family that their eyes would be open this Easter to the truth of who Jesus is.