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## **BLIND BARTIMAEUS**

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Bartimaeus lived in Jericho.

Every day he sat by the road begging for money, because he was blind.



On this particular day he heard a crowd coming and asked, 'What is happening?'

Someone said, 'Jesus of Nazareth is coming.'



Bartimaeus started calling out, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me! Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!'

'Shhh! Be quiet,' people said to him.

But he shouted all the more saying, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!'



Jesus stopped near him and heard him calling.

He said, 'Tell the man to come to Me.'

'Jesus wants to see you,' called someone in the crowd.

The man jumped up, threw off his coat and came to Jesus.



Jesus asked him, 'What do you want Me to do for you?'

'Teacher, I want to see again,' answered Bartimaeus.

'Go,' said Jesus, 'Your faith has made you well.'



Bartimaeus was very thankful and followed Jesus all the way to Jerusalem.



It was wonderful deeds like this that made people follow Jesus.

When Jesus came to Jerusalem, many people sang, 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!'

