

Oct. 21, 2018
“Playing Golf At Midnight”
(Mark 10:46-52)

Our story today is about a man who was _____, whose name was _____.

The story takes place near Jericho. When most of us think of Jericho we think of _____ and the battle of Jericho.

Until recently there were no government programs to help the disabled. Their only source of income was to stand beside the road with a cap in their hand begging. Thus the word: “_____”

However, there are many people in our society who have severe disabilities who are quite _____.

Scholars say that for a blind man to throw aside his cloak in a busy crowd was _____.

Some things about Bartimaeus:
#1. - He was _____.

Because of his disability, he was also made to feel _____.

His name, Bartimaeus simply means “_____.”

Even the religious people of the time believed that if someone had a disability it was a _____ by God.

Bartimaeus was blind, and he was a _____, and he was probably a social _____.

Perhaps one of the most dangerous disabilities is that of living a _____ life, because we don't get to develop what is required for dealing with life _____.

#2. – Bartimaeus was not _____.

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He was not going to let people tell him to be _____.

When he saw an opportunity for _____, he jumped at it.

Thank God for the Bartimaeuses of this world who will not be _____ by their circumstances!

You have to admire any person, who through _____ and determination, refuses to be _____.

#3. – And he was rewarded for his _____.

You and I take our _____ for granted.

That is why Bartimaeus became a _____ of Jesus!

Mark 10:52 – “Go, said Jesus, ‘your faith has healed you’ and immediately Bartimaeus received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.”

Fanny Crosby’s hymn, “**Pass Me Not**”

***“Pass me not, O Gentle Savior, hear my humble cry.
While on others thou art calling, do not pass me by.”***

We need to know Christ will not pass us by if we are truly _____ him!

May we see what Bartimaeus saw – that Jesus is the _____ of every good thing in life!

May we be as wise as Bartimaeus. May we, too, _____ Jesus all the days of our life as well!