

# The BIBLE STORY with Review

(Parents, we suggest you pull out your Bible too.)

## Jesus Has Power Over Sickness

*Mark 10:46-52*

Jesus and His disciples had been in the town of Jericho. When it was time to leave, they started walking out of town. A large group of people followed them.

A man named Bartimaeus (bahr tih MEE uhs) was sitting by the road that led to Jerusalem. Bartimaeus was blind, so he sat there and begged for money. Bartimaeus heard a crowd walking by. "What is going on?" Bartimaeus asked the people around him.

"Jesus is passing by," they said. Bartimaeus wanted Jesus to help him, so he cried out, "Jesus, Son of David! Have mercy on me!"

Bartimaeus believed that Jesus was the promised Messiah, born into the family of King David like the Old Testament prophets had said He would be. If anyone could help Bartimaeus, it was Jesus.

The people around Bartimaeus told him to keep quiet, but Bartimaeus did not keep quiet. In fact, he cried out even more. "Son of David! Have mercy on me!"

Jesus heard Bartimaeus, and He stopped walking. "Tell that man to come here," Jesus said.

So the people told Bartimaeus to get up. "Jesus is calling for you," they said.

Bartimaeus got up right away. He left his coat on the ground and went to Jesus.

"What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him. "Teacher," Bartimaeus said, "I want to see!"

"Go on," Jesus said. "You are healed because you believed."

Right away, Bartimaeus could see! He wasn't blind anymore; Jesus had healed him. Jesus started walking again, and Bartimaeus followed Him down the road. Bartimaeus praised God, and the people who saw what Jesus had done praised God too. Jesus has power over sickness!

*Christ Connection: The prophet Isaiah wrote that the promised Messiah would open the eyes of people who were blind. (Isaiah 35:5; 42:7) He was here! Jesus was the promised Messiah. Even if we are not blind, we are sinners. Sinners can't see the truth about God until Jesus opens our eyes and saves us.*

## Review Questions

1. What town was Jesus near when He passed the blind man? (*Jericho; Matt. 20:29; Mark 10:46; Luke 18:35*)
2. What was the blind man doing by the side of the road? (*begging; Mark 10:46; Luke 18:35*)
3. What was the blind man's name? (*Bartimaeus, Mark 10:46*)
4. What did the blind man call out to Jesus? (*"Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Mark 10:47; Luke 18:38*)
5. What did the blind man tell Jesus? (*"I want to see!" Mark 10:51; Luke 18:41*)
6. What did Jesus say had healed the blind man? (*the blind man's faith; Mark 10:52; Luke 18:42*)
7. What did the man do when he was healed? (*He followed Jesus; Mark 10:52; Luke 18:43*)
8. How did the people who saw this miracle react? (*They gave praise to God; Luke 18:43*)
9. How did Jesus show His power over sickness? Jesus opened the eyes of people who were blind.