

Message Notes

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The Gospel of Luke
The Blind Man
Luke 18:35-43
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- ◆ Preceding this story are two stories of people who believe _____.
(Luke 18:18-30 and 31-34)

The Blind Man and Bad News/Lies:

As Jesus approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. When he heard the crowd going by, he asked what was happening. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." He called out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me." (Luke 18:35-38)

- ◆ Believed he was _____ as a result of sin. (John 9:1-3)
- ◆ Felt _____ and untouchable. Filled with _____ and condemnation.
- ◆ The blind man's _____ is shaped by the lies he believes.

The Blind Man and Good News/Truth:

Jesus stopped and ordered the man to be brought to Him. When he came near, Jesus asked him, "What do you want Me to do for you?" (Luke 18:40-41a)

- ◆ Jesus stops and makes _____/_____ for him.
- ◆ Jesus _____ him, "What do you want me to do for you?" (Mk. 10:36)
- ◆ Jesus gave him _____ - not getting what we deserve. (Dn. 9:9; Rom. 12:1; Eph. 2:4-5)
- ◆ Jesus restores his name - Bartimaeus = "Son of _____." (Mk. 10:46)

Lies and Truth in Our Lives:

- ◆ _____ is the Father of lies. (Gen. 3; John 8:44)
- ◆ The lies & truth will center on who _____ is and who _____ are.
- ◆ Many times, lies will come as _____. (Lam. 3:1-6, 7-11, 18)
- ◆ As followers of Jesus (HS), we _____ control what we _____ about.
(Prov. 4:23 TEV; Rom. 12:2)
1. Name the _____ - Expose the _____. (2 Cor. 5:10; Eph. 5:8-13)
2. _____ into the lie with compassion & curiosity. Ask why?
3. Replace the _____ with God's _____ & remember. (Rom. 12:2; Phil 4:8; Col. 3:16)
- ◆ What _____ are you believing that needs to be replaced with _____?

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Lies/Truth About God

God is not really good.
God is good. (Ps. 34:8, 100:5, 145:9, Rom 8:28)

God does not love me.
God loves you. (John 3:16; Rom. 5:8, 8:39; Eph 2:4; 1 Jn. 4:9-10)

God is holding out on me.
God is our help. (Ps. 46:1; Prov 3:5-6; Heb. 4:15-16; 13:5-6)

God keeps a record of wrongs against me.
God is forgiving. (Micah 7:18-19; Daniel 9:9; Is. 1:18; Ps. 103:12; Eph. 1:7; Col. 3:13-14; 1 Jn. 1:9)

God is distant.
God is near and with us. (Joshua 1:8; Ps. 139:7-10; Is. 41:10; John 1:14, 14:16-17; Rom. 8:38-39; 1 Cor 3:16)

God is harsh, critical and vindictive.
God is kind and compassionate. (Lam. 3:22; Ps. 40:1-2; 86:15; 103:1-4; Is. 30:18; Luke 15:20; 2 Cor. 1:3)

God has forgotten about me.
God knows me and knows my name. (Ps. 139:1-24; Jer. 1:5; Is 43:1-28; Mt. 10:29-31; Jn. 10:14-15)

Lies/Truth About Myself

There are sins in my past that God cannot forgive.
I am totally forgiven! (Eph 1:7, 2:13; Col 1:14)

I am hopeless.
I have hope! (Rom 8:20-25, 15:4, 13; Col 1:26-27; 1 Peter 1:3)

I am alone.
I am never alone! (Rom 8:38-39; Heb 13:5)

I am afraid of Satan.
I have authority over Satan! (Col 1:13; 1 John 4:4; Rev 12:7-11)

I am unlovable.
I am loved! (John 15:9; Rom 8:35-39; Eph 2:4-6; 1 John 3:1a, 4:10)

I am defective and God made a mistake when He made me.
I am accepted! (Jn 15:15-16; Eph 1:3-6)

I still sin so I'm not saved.
I am worthy! (Rom 8:31-34; 1 Cor 6:19-20; 2 Cor 5:21)

I am a failure.
I am victorious! (Rom 8:37; 2 Cor 2:14; 1 Jn 5:4)

I am fearful.
I am free from fear! (Ps 4:8, 27:1, 32:7; 2 Tim 1:7; 1 Jn 4:18)

I need _____ in my life to feel fulfilled, satisfied, valuable?
Only Christ satisfies. (Ps 22:26, 107:9; John 6:35)