

The Miracles of Jesus

Lesson Twenty

Healing Three Men – Two Blind and One Mute

Text: Matthew 9:27-38

Introduction:

1. After healing the woman with the issue of blood and raising the daughter of Jairus from the dead, Jesus returned to the house (possibly Matthew's house [9:9-10]).
2. As He journeyed, He was approached by two blind men who sought to be healed.
3. As they departed, another man – possessed by a demon and unable to speak – was brought to Him for healing.
4. Thus, Jesus continued to do good for others at great sacrifice to Himself.

I. The Miracle

- A. Two blind men followed Jesus, crying for mercy.
 1. They overcame their own sense of hopelessness and helplessness.
 2. They overcame doubt, for they acknowledged Jesus as the Son of David.
 3. They overcame hindrances, for they followed Him into the house.
 4. They overcame discouragement, for they followed even when Jesus did not answer them.
 5. What if everyone desired *spiritual* sight as much as these men desired *physical* sight!
- B. Jesus asked them, "Do you believe I am able to do this?"
 1. This was another test of their faith.
 2. Their response was without hesitation or doubt, "Yes, Lord."
- C. Jesus touched their eyes and they were healed.
 1. They were healed according to their faith.
 2. They were healed completely and immediately.
- D. Even though Jesus commanded them not to make the miracle known, they spread abroad His fame in that region.
- E. The second miracle illustrates the contrast between the true faith of an honest heart and the prejudiced hatred of a hardened heart.

II. The Manifestation

- A. Jesus confirmed the confession of the blind men – He is the Son of David.
- B. Jesus demonstrated His compassion toward those who suffer physically and spiritually.
- C. Jesus illustrated the necessity and power of faith.

III. The Message

- A. Compare the faith of Jairus, the woman with the issue of blood and these two blind men.
- B. Physical blindness typifies ignorance and spiritual darkness.
- C. God's Word is the source of spiritual light (Psalm 119:105; etc.).
- D. We are also blessed according to our faith...
 - 1. Salvation (Hebrews 11:6; John 3:16; 8:24; Hebrews 5:9; Mark 16:16; etc.)
 - 2. Service (2 Corinthians 5:7; 1 John 5:4-5; Mark 16:15; etc.)
- E. One cannot help but spread the good news of the Son of God.