

"JESUS CHRIST - A MAN APPROVED OF GOD (Acts 2:22)" Miracle #36 - "TWO BLIND MEN REBUKED AT JERICHO"

Matt 20:29-32,33-34 Column #1

In these four cases of blindness, there are twelve similarities ... can you find them?

Column #1	Column #2	Column #3	Column #4
Two blind men	One blind man	Two blind men	Blind Bartimaeus
(Matthew 20:29-	(<u>Luke 18:35-43</u>)	(<u>Matthew 9:27-31</u>)	Mark 10:46-52
<u>34</u>)			
"And as they	And it came to	"And when Jesus	And they came to
departed from	pass, that as he	departed thence, two	Jericho: and as he
Jericho, a great	(Christ) was come	blind men followed him	went out of Jericho
multitude followed	nigh unto Jericho, a	(Jesus), crying, and	with his disciples
him (Jesus). And,	certain blind man	saying, Thou Son of	and a great number
behold, two blind	sat by the way side	David, have mercy on	of people, blind
men sitting by the	begging: And	us. And when he was	Bartimaeus , the
way side, when	hearing the	come into the house, the	son of Timaeus, sat
they heard that	multitude pass by,	blind men came to him:	by the highway side
Jesus passed by,	he asked what it	and Jesus saith unto	begging. And when
cried out, saying,	meant. And they	them, Believe ye that I	he heard that it
Have mercy on	told him, that	am able to do this?	was Jesus of
us, O Lord, thou	Jesus of Nazareth	They said unto him,	Nazareth , he
Son of David.	passeth by. And he	Yea, Lord. Then	began to cry out,
And the multitude	cried, saying,	touched he their eyes,	and say, Jesus,
rebuked them,	Jesus, thou Son of	saying,	thou Son of
because they	David, have	According to your	David, have
should hold their	mercy on me. And	faith be it unto you.	mercy on me. And
peace: but they	they which went	And their eyes were	many charged him
cried the more,	before rebuked	opened; and Jesus	that he should hold
saying, Have	him , that he should	straitly charged them,	his peace : but he
mercy on us, O	hold his peace: but	saying, See that no	cried the more a
Lord, thou Son of	he cried so much	man know it. But they,	great deal, Thou
David . And Jesus	the more, Thou	when they were	Son of David,
stood still, and	Son of David,	departed, spread	have mercy on
called them, and	have mercy on	abroad his fame in all	me . And Jesus
said, What will ye	me. And Jesus	that country."	stood still, and
that I shall do	stood, and		commanded him to
unto you? They	commanded him to		be called. And they
say unto him,	be brought unto		call the blind man,

Lord, that our eyes may be opened.
So Jesus had compassion on them, and touched their eyes: and immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed him."

him: and when he was come **near**, he asked him, Saying, What wilt thou that I shall do unto thee? And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight. And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight: thy faith hath saved thee. And immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God.

saying unto him, Be of good comfort, rise; he calleth thee. And he, casting away his garment, rose, and came to Jesus. And Jesus answered and said unto him, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? The blind man said unto him, Lord, that **I might** receive my sight. And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And **immediately** he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.

1. They knew they were blind

Blindness in the Bible represents sin ... with their eyes closed to the Lord.

Dear Reader, Are your eyes closed? Have your eyes been opened? Have you lost your way? Do you know you are dead in trespasses and sins? Do you know you must get saved? Do you know you are lost?

2. They heard it was Jesus Christ

As the scriptures say faith cometh by hearing ($\frac{\text{Romans } 10:17}{\text{Normal } 1:21}$) and by the foolishness of preaching ($\frac{\text{1Corinthians } 1:21}{\text{1Corinthians } 1:21}$)

3. They all knew who Christ was

Dear Reader, do you know who Jesus Christ is? They all called him the Son of David (<u>Matthew 1:1</u>) ... but you may not know much about that ... and you may not know much about the Bible or religion, but deep in your heart you know who Christ is.

4. They knew he would heal

Dear Reader, do you know that only Christ can save you? Yes, he's the last one on your list that you are going to contact ... you've tried everybody else the Dalai, Buddha and so on and all to no avail

5. They all cried for mercy

Yes Dear Reader, God is full of mercy toward those that run into Jesus Christ.

6. They came by free will

Dear Reader, do you know that you have a choice ... yes or no ... very simple.

7. They were rebuked

Yes Dear Reader, it won't be a popular choice to cry out to Jesus to save you.

8. They were persistent

Dear Reader, they were in earnest ... they wanted only Jesus and wouldn't be put off

9. They were asked questions

Christ likes the sinner to tell him his need and express his belief and faith in his own words.

"Wilt thou be made whole?" (<u>John 5:6</u>); "Believe ye that I am able to do this?" (<u>Matthew 9:28</u>); "Whom say ye that I am?" (<u>Matthew 16:15</u>); "What wilt thou?" (<u>Mark 10:51</u>); "Lovest thou me?" (<u>John 21:15</u>); "Where are the nine?" (<u>Luke 17:17</u>); "Will ye also go away?" (<u>John 6:67</u>)

10. They knew exactly what they wanted

Dear Reader, what will you ask Jesus for?

11. Their belief and faith made them whole

Dear Reader, do you know that your faith is based purely on what you believe. Today, how much faith do you need to get saved? No faith needed ... simply believe the facts ... then the faith of Jesus Christ will be put to your account and you will be saved. Your faith will be the gift of God and not of yourself as follows ...

"For by grace are ye **saved through faith**; and that **not of yourselves**: it is **the gift of God**: Not of works, lest any man should boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9)

12. They glorified God

Dear Reader, why wouldn't you? Imagine someone miraculously giving you back your sight ... you'd be over the moon! How about eternal life in heaven and not burning in hell?

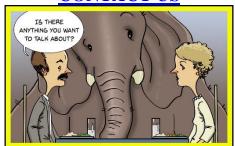
13. Some followed Christ and some gave praise to God

Dear Reader, do you know there are many who will follow Christ but will not have him as their Saviour.

Why are you following Christ? Why do you praise God? Are you eternally saved?

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