

BLIND SPOTS

Luke 18:31-43

FAITH in Jesus **HEALS** our **SPIRITUAL BLINDNESS**

Luke 18:34 - *But they understood none of these things. This saying was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said.*

1. In JESUS, we see . . .the **SON OF MAN** ⁽³¹⁾
2. In JESUS, we see . . .the **SUFFERING SERVANT** ⁽³²⁻³⁴⁾
3. In JESUS, we see . . .the **SAVIOR** ⁽³⁵⁻⁴³⁾
 - a. Saving **faith** begins by **admitting** our blindness.
 - b. Faith **cries** out to Jesus despite **opposition**.
 - c. **Saving** faith **knows** who Jesus is.
 - d. Saving faith **asks** for **mercy**, not entitlement.
 - e. Jesus **responds** to faith with **compassion** and **salvation**.



FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

1. When you hear the phrase “*spiritual blind spot*,” what comes to mind in your own life right now? Why do you think spiritual blind spots are often harder to recognize than obvious sins?
2. In what ways can religious activity (Bible reading, church attendance, giving, service) coexist with spiritual blindness?
3. Which aspect of Jesus’ humanity do you need to remember most right now—His compassion, endurance, patience, or suffering?
4. How does knowing that “*everything written will be accomplished*” bring comfort in uncertain seasons?
5. Why is it difficult to accept that God often works through suffering rather than immediate victory? How does Isaiah 53 deepen your understanding of what it truly cost Jesus to save us?
6. Where do you see a tension in your life between what you *expect* God to do and what He may actually be doing? What is one area where you need to surrender your timeline, method, or outcome to God?
7. Why do you think Bartimaeus saw Jesus more clearly than the disciples and crowds? What does Bartimaeus’ cry for *mercy* reveal about his understanding of himself? Why is admitting blindness such an essential step toward salvation? (Lk 18:38)
8. How might clearer vision of Jesus change the way you love, suffer, forgive, or hope?

Memory Verse: “*Recover your sight; your faith has made you well.*” — Luke 18:42

“I have come home at last! This is my real country! I belong here. This is the land I have been looking for all my life, though I never knew it till now... Come further up, come further in!” — C.S. Lewis, The Last Battle