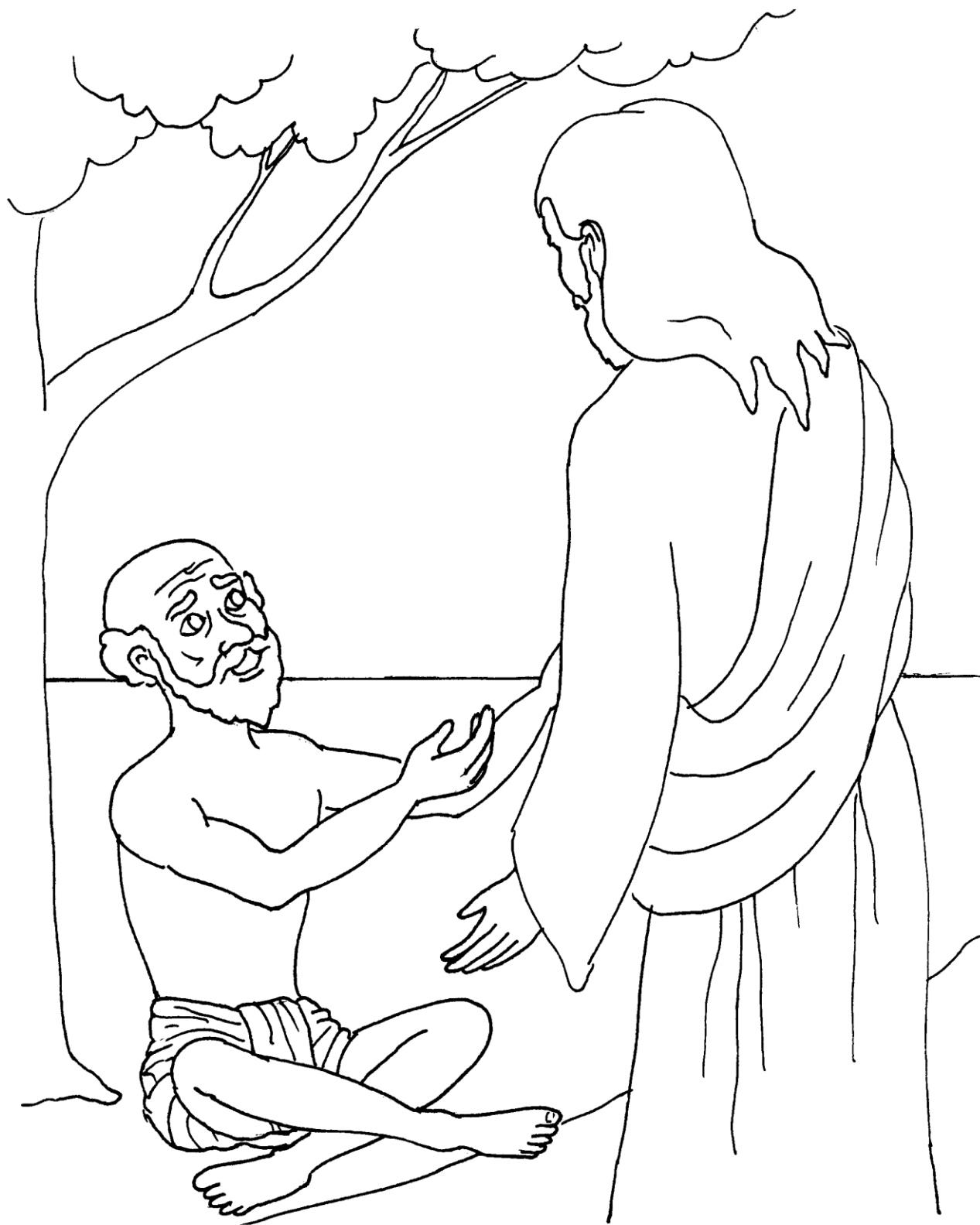


Story Time - Read the story to the children
Lesson 217: JESUS HEALS BLIND BARTIMAEUS
MARK 10:46-52

Then they came to the town of Jericho. When Jesus left there with his disciples, a large crowd was with them. A blind man named Bartimaeus (which means "son of Timaeus") was sitting by the road begging. He was always begging for money. He heard that Jesus from Nazareth was walking by. So he began shouting, "Jesus, Son of David, please have mercy on me!" Many people criticized the blind man and told him to be quiet. But he shouted a lot more, "Son of David, please have mercy on me!" Jesus stopped and said, "Tell him to come here." So they called the blind man and said, "You can be happy now. Stand up! Jesus is calling you." The blind man stood up quickly. He left his coat there and went to Jesus. Jesus asked the man, "What do you want me to do for you?" He answered, "Teacher, I want to see again." Jesus said, "Go. You are healed because you believed." Immediately the man was able to see again. He followed Jesus down the road.

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"Bartimaeus cries out to Jesus that he might receive his sight."
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MEMORY VERSE:

"...The poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel." **ISAIAH 29:19**

Review Questions

True or False

1. As He went out of Jericho with His disciples, blind Bartimaeus was sitting by the road begging.
2. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he was very quiet.
3. He was shouting out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"
4. The people in the crowd told him to say it louder because Jesus didn't hear him yet.
5. When the people told him to be quiet, he shouted even more.

Questions

1. What was blind Bartimaeus doing Jesus was passing by?
2. What did he do when he heard that it was Jesus walking by?
3. What did the people tell him to do? Did he stop shouting?
4. When Jesus heard him shouting, what did He ask Bartimaeus?
5. What did Bartimaeus answer?
6. What did Jesus tell Bartimaeus when he asked to be able to see again?
7. Did blind Bartimaeus see again? Then what did he do?

Lesson 217 Craft

Paper Watches

Cut construction paper in 2"x8" strips. Provide sequins, stickers, markers, crayons and other assorted supplies like glue and gems, foam shapes, etc. for decorating the watches. Supply round objects so the children can trace circles on the strip of paper for a watch face. For younger children, cut some circles out (about 2" in diameter – trace a round object to make it easier to get a circle shape, then cut them out for the children). Show them how a watch has a long and short hand and numbers if they do not already know this. Talk to the children about being busy and the importance of taking time for others. Tell them that **Jesus always has time for us**. Tape or paste or even staple the watch bands around the children's arms as a reminder of today's lesson.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITY if you don't want to do the craft:

Timed Relay

Make a short sequence of tasks such as: pick up a block, touch the door, hop three times, put the block in a bucket, go back to the starting place, etc. Divide the class into two teams and time them to see which team wins.

Ask the children if it sometimes seems as if the grown-ups around them seem to be as busy as their timed relay. Tell them that Jesus was very busy on the road out of Jericho, but he took time to stop for Bartimaeus. **Jesus always has time for us**.

PRAYER

Lead the children in a prayer of thanksgiving for the unlimited access we have to Him. If any children have not yet responded to the gospel, give them an opportunity to do so.