

What Do You Want Me To Do For You?

Series: "*The Jesus Way: How God Informs Every Season of Life*"

Mark 10:46-52 (1807)

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I. The message of the cross

a. Jesus comes to us when we cannot go to him

Romans 5:8 NIV *While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

C. S. Lewis *The Son of God became man to enable men [and women] to become the sons [and daughters] of God.*

b. He is waiting and willing to engage us at our point of need

II. Examples of how Jesus will meet you in your point of need

a. When you find yourself being a nobody in society's eyes

Mark 10:46-52 NIV ⁴⁶ *Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means "son of Timaeus"), was sitting by the roadside begging. ⁴⁷ When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸ Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹ Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called to the blind man, "Cheer up! On your feet! He's calling you." ⁵⁰ Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus. ⁵¹ "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him. The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see." ⁵² "Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.*

b. When you find yourself being religious but lifeless

Matthew 11:28-30 TM *"Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly."*

c. When you find yourself being successful but empty

(Luke 18:18-29)

d. When you find yourself being viewed through eyes of scorn

(John 4)

e. When you find yourself wanting to change things but not knowing how

(Luke 9:51-55)

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- f. When you find yourself at the end of your rope**
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