



## Going Deeper into “Free to Follow” – Mark 10:46-52

**The story of Bartimaeus is also shared in Matthew 20:29-34 and Luke 18:35-43.**

Compare these passages. How are they different? What is the same in each one?

Based on the similarities in these passages, what do you think are the most important points to take away from this story?

Many people rebuked Bartimaeus for crying out. Describe an experience when people tried to keep you from seeking or following Jesus. How did you respond?

Jesus said, “Go,” but Bartimaeus began following Jesus instead. How have you freely followed Jesus since receiving His healing forgiveness of your sins?

**This passage is connected to Mark 10:35-40 by Jesus’ question.**

Describe and compare James and John’s desire with that of Bartimaeus:

Other than it not being His to give, why do you think Jesus would not grant James and John’s request when He did grant Bartimaeus’ request?

What does Jesus grant to James and John? How is what He grants them similar to what Bartimaeus receives after regaining his sight?

***Please pray: Dear God, thank You for setting me free from my sins. Help me to follow You freely as You guide me, and to drink the cup You give me. Amen.***