



**DEFENDERS OF THE FAITH**  
**Part 7 – Bartimaeus Receives His Sight**  
**Recognize Your Calling and Take Action**

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**2 Corinthians 5:7 (NLT)**, “For we live by believing and not by seeing.”

**2 Corinthians 5:17 (NKJV)**, “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.”

**1. Be \_\_\_\_\_ about where you are.**

**Mark 10:46 (NIV)**, “<sup>46</sup>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**.”

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**2. Recognize your \_\_\_\_\_, and take \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Mark 10:47 (NIV)**, “<sup>47</sup>When Bartimaeus heard that **Jesus** of Nazareth was nearby, he began to **shout**, “**Jesus**, Son of David, have **mercy** on me!”

**Ephesians 5:15-17 (NASB)**, “<sup>15</sup>So then, be careful how you walk, not as unwise people but as wise, <sup>16</sup>**making the most of your time**, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup>Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.”

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**3. Listen for the \_\_\_\_\_ voice, not others.**

**Mark 10:48 (NIV)**, “Many **rebuked** him and told him to **be quiet**, but he **shouted** all the **more**, “Son of David, have mercy on me!”

**Mark 10:49 (NIV)**, “<sup>49</sup>**Jesus stopped** and said, “Call him.” So they called to the blind man, “**Cheer up! On your feet! He’s calling you.**”

**4. Let go of your past \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Mark 10:50 (NIV)**, “<sup>50</sup>**Throwing** his cloak aside, he **jumped** to his feet and **came** to Jesus.”

**President Thomas Jefferson**, “Nothing can stop the man with the right mental attitude from achieving his goal; nothing on earth can help the man with the wrong mental attitude.”

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**5. Have \_\_\_\_\_ for your specific future.**

**Mark 10:51 (NIV)**, “What do you want me to do for you?” Jesus asked him. The blind man said, “Rabbi, **I want to see**.”

**Helen Keller**, “The only thing worse than being blind is having sight but no vision.”

**Mark 10:52a (NIV)**, “Go,” said Jesus, “**your faith** has healed you.” Immediately he **received his sight**,”

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**6. Begin immediately to \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus.**

**Mark 10:52b (NIV)**, “Immediately he received his sight, and **followed Jesus** along the road.”

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