



*Kia inu kau ahau,  
If I could just drink*  
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# Exploring the Gospel

A Religious Education Resource for Parishes

**Today we are going to be talking about  
Bartimaeus the blind man.  
Let's, listen and hear the story Jesus tells his followers.**

***A reading from the gospel according to Mark.....adapted for children***

**Jesus was on his way out of Jericho with a large crowd of people.**

**A blind man, called Bartimaeus, sat at the roadside,  
as he always did, begging.**

**When he heard that Jesus was passing he began shouting**

***'Jesus, Son of David! Have mercy on me!'***

**The people around him tried to shush him, but he shouted even louder**

***'Jesus, Son of David! Have pity on me!'***

**Jesus stopped and said**

***'Bring him here.'***

**To the blind man he said**

***'Don't worry, it's me, Jesus, calling you.'***

**Bartimaeus jumped up immediately and went to Jesus.**

***'What do you want from me?' asked Jesus.***

***'Master, let me see again.'***

***'Go', said Jesus, 'your faith has saved you.'***

**Immediately, Bartimaeus could see again, and he followed Jesus along the road.**

***Let's sit quietly now and think of God's story.***

# Unpacking the Gospel

- “ who was Bartimaeus ?
- “ what did he do when he knew Jesus was passing by? Why ?
- “ how did the people react to this?
- “ what did Jesus do?
- “ what did Jesus say had saved Bartimaeus ?
- “ what did he mean by that ?

Bartimaeus was determined

Bartimaeus didn't give up

Bartimaeus believed in Jesus



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- “ what did Bartimaeus do afterward ?  
*followed Jesus even more closely.*
- “ do we see with the light of faith ?

*Yes because we are baptised with the LIGHT OF FAITH  
we see how to follow Jesus.*

**Invite** the children to reflect on how they can shine over the coming week  
At home, at school, at play.....



# Blind Bartimaeus



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Words are taken from Mark 10:46-52 (NIV).

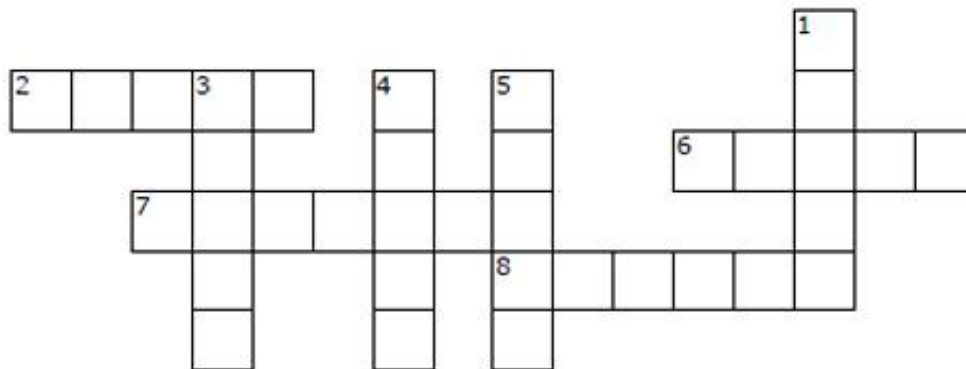
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Jericho	city	begging	cheer	faith
Jesus	blind	shout	jumped	healed
disciples	Bartimaeus	mercy	feet	sight
crowd	roadside	quiet	Rabbi	followed

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## ACROSS

2. Kind or compassionate treatment
6. Making little or no noise
7. Making an urgent plea; asking for charity
8. To be restored to health; cured

## DOWN

1. Unable to see
3. To make happier or more joyful; a shout of encouragement
4. Confident belief in the truth
5. The ability to see

blind

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