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“As Jesus and His disciples were leaving Jericho a large crowd followed Him. Two blind men were sitting by the roadside and when they heard that Jesus was going by they shouted, ‘Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!’ The crowd rebuked them and told them to be quiet, but they shouted all the louder, ‘Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!’ Jesus stopped and called them, ‘What do you want me to do for you?’ He asked. ‘Lord,’ they answered, ‘We want our sight.’ Jesus had compassion on them and touched their eyes. Immediately they received their sight and followed Him” (Matthew 20:29-34).

What if that were you sitting by the side of the road? What would you have done? It’s easy to settle—to be content with the way things are. These guys could have easily let Jesus and the crowd pass by. After all, why upset them? This crowd was their lifeline. There was no welfare system. There were no charitable organizations supporting the blind. This crowd was their source of income; and, without their compassion they could not survive. It took courage for these two men to ignore their rebuke and shout all the louder for Jesus, “Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us.”

And Jesus—what a question He asks them! The Lord, the One with whom all things are possible, was asking them, “What do you want!” That’s an all-you-can-eat grand buffet of blessings! So, what did they want? To put words in their mouth, they were saying, “Lord, we don’t want to be blind and cared for. We want to see!”

They were going for it all. This is Jesus passing by! This is the Creator of heaven and earth! He is their hope! And, this is their chance for something better! Jesus touched their eyes and immediately they received their sight. If they had not ignored the rebuke of the crowd and stepped out in courage like they did, they would still be blind!

Men, Jesus is passing by! He is our hope! He is our chance for something better! Oh, the crowd is still there demanding our silence. There will always be the crowd; and, it takes courage to ignore them. The crowd gives us life as is; Jesus offers us life in abundance! So, set your attention on Him, the One with whom all things are possible. He’s asking, “What do you want me to do for you?”