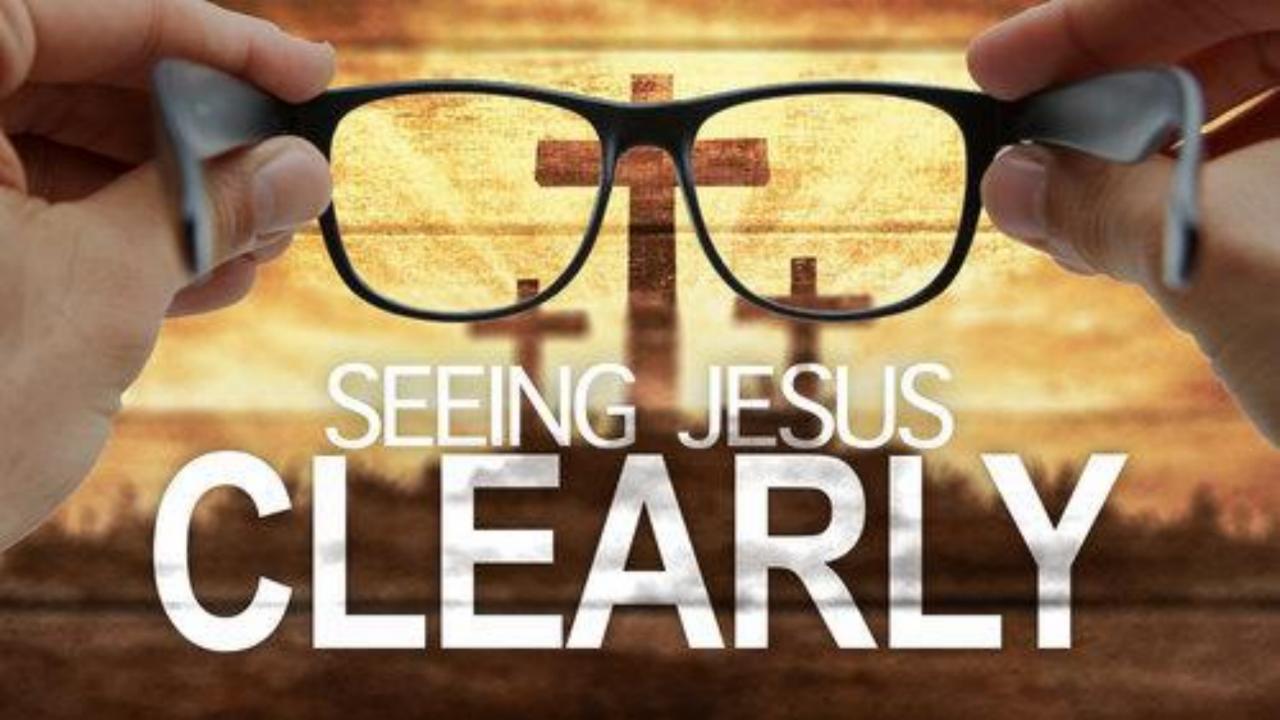
Close your eyes, and listen carefully.



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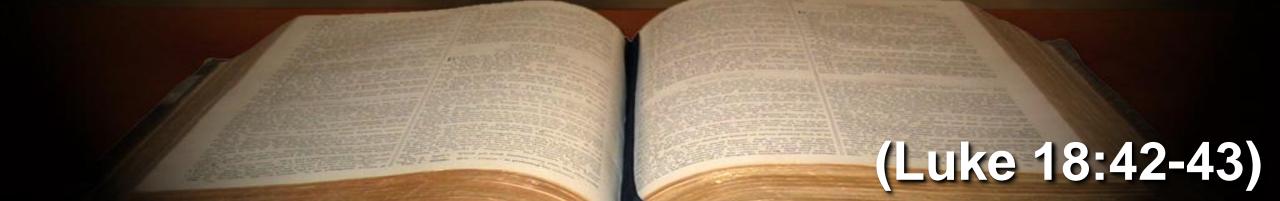
³⁸And he called out, saying, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" 39Those who led the way were sternly telling him to be quiet; but he kept crying out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"



⁴⁰And Jesus stopped and commanded that he be brought to Him; and when he came near, He questioned him, 41"What do you want Me to do for you?" And he said, "Lord, I want to regain my sight!"



42 And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." 43 Immediately he regained his sight and began following Him, glorifying God; and when all the people saw it, they gave praise to God.





What do we learn from a blind man about seeing Jesus?

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We learn that the blind man was expectantly sitting by the road And he called out, saying, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Those who led the way were sternly telling him to be quiet; but he kept crying out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

We learn of a <u>desperate</u> man's cry for help

And Jesus stopped and commanded that he be brought to Him; and when he came near, He questioned him, "What do you want Me to do for you?" And he said, "Lord, I want to regain my sight!"

We learn of the straightforwardness of the man

And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and began following Him, glorifying God; and when all the people saw it, they gave praise to God.

We learn of the man's faith and deep gratitude

SEEINGJESUSCLEARLY

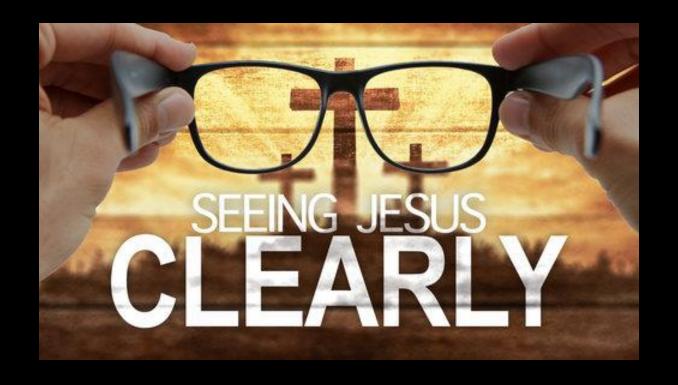
We learn that in order to clearly see Jesus, we first need to know our poverty

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

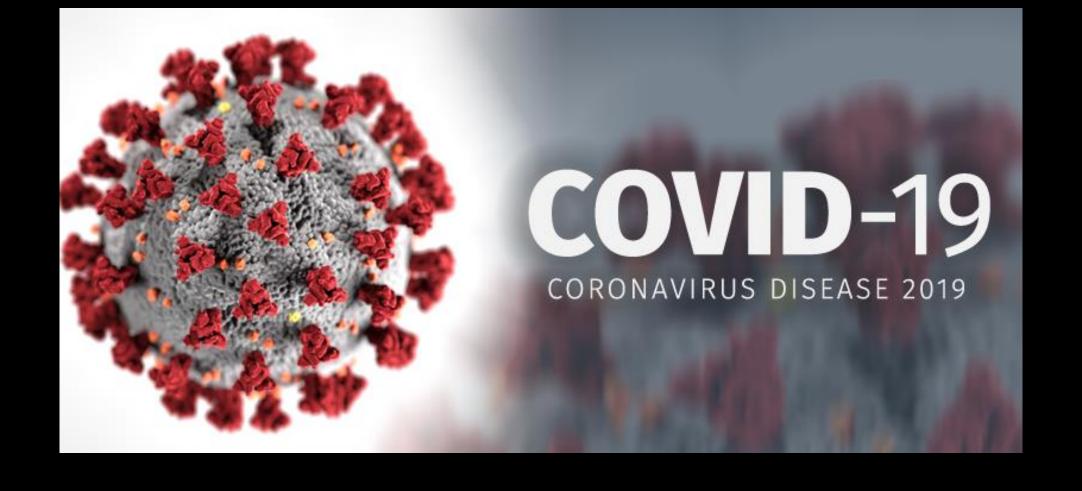
Was he simply blind to truth that was quite evident to others?

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. (Hebrews 11:1)





fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. (Hebrews 12:2)



"Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS

O soul are you weary and troubled? No light in the darkness you see? There's light for a look at the Savior And life more abundant and free Turn your eyes upon Jesus Look full in His wonderful face And the things of earth will grow strangely dim In the light of His glory and grace

CHALLENGE

In order for us to clearly see Jesus, we first need to know our own spiritual need, and then look to Him in faith to meet our every need.