

Building Mindfulness

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Faith that Heals

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Those who led the way rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Jesus stopped and ordered the man to be brought to him. When he came near, Jesus asked him, “What do you want me to do for you?”

“Lord, I want to see,” he replied.

Jesus said to him, “Receive your sight; your faith has healed you.” Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus, praising God. When all the people saw it, they also praised God.

Please, Don't Pass Me By!

Fred Hammond

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Passed By!

- Disowned by both Families
- Physical and Emotional Abuse
- Working at 10
- Not Popular or Talented
- Homeless
- Came to America with \$10
- Went to college at 38
- Overlooked in the church /workplace and friends
- Stop Praying and Believing!
- Passed by Attitude!

**DO YOU EVER FEEL THAT
JESUS/GOD DOESN'T
HEAR YOU OR SEE YOU?**

When God is Quiet!

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When Jesus Passed By!

- Years of monotony/oppression but was ready for Jesus
- Just call out and Jesus will heal you!(others)
- Calling out to Jesus. No answer!
- When God is Silence! (It's not a No)
- Rebuked
- Respect: Son of David (Deity)
- Didn't say heal me/forgive me!
- My Opportunity (Conversion)
- Our Response to Silence and Opposition

Fear and Hurt Response!

- Desperation of being overlooked (past)
- Fear of Jesus not answering
- Church (Disciples) not seeing or helping
- Survival (think of ourselves)
- Take things into our own hands
- Deepest Hurts and Trust Issues (Depressed)
- Pull back and hide!
- Life Governed by Fear and the past!
- Fear leads to unhealthy thoughts and actions (sin)
- God gives us opportunities to break the cycle of fear and cowardice!

I have a Voice!

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on me!”v39

Spiritual Tenacity

- Overcome Opposition
- Probably Disciples (led the way)
- Embarrassed
- Rebuked
- Beaten Down (Stop Praying/Believing)
- His Life was defined in a moment!
- Fought to get his healing/forgiveness
- Shouted Louder/ Pray Longer/Love the unlovable
- Would not give up
- What or Who is stopping your healing?

He's Blind!

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“What do you want me to do for you?”

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What's Your Obvious Condition?

- I'm Fearful (Covid)
- I'm Rageful
- I'm Lonely
- I'm Abused
- I'm Hurt
- I'm Lukewarm
- I'm in Sin
- I'm Doubting God
- I'm Depressed*
- Sin is Obvious

It's Obvious

- The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; 20 idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions (Gal 5:19-20)
- Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord (Acts 3:19)

Shhh, No one can see me!



It starts with my Faith!

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This Type of Faith Heals!

- “What do you want me to do for you?”
- Confess your obvious condition? (Honest with ourselves)
- Jesus is a servant on my Faith (mindful)
- Jesus can only work with Faith not Fear!
- Reverent (Son of David)
- Overcame Opposition
- Relentless (calling)
- Right Interpretation of God’s Silence
- Humble
- Fruits/Overflow of being healed/forgiven/repentance
- Automatically Followed and Praise Jesus (Not forced)
- Overflowing Thankfulness

Communion

Thank you Jesus, Thank you
Lord!

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