Text: Luke 18:35-19:27 Topics: Faith, Prayer, Pride, Wealth Series: That You Know Jesus Monroe Bible Church February 11, 2024 Elder Bernie Roidt

Jesus Seeks the Lost

I. Bartimaeus, the Blind Beggar (18:35-43)

- 1. Condition
- 2. <u>Cry</u>
- 3. <u>Cure</u>
- 4. Commission
- 5. Commitment

II. Zaccheus (19:1-10)

III. Parable of the 10 Minas (19:11-27)

Three Types of People:

- 1. <u>Faithful</u>
- 2. False
- 3. <u>Foes</u>

Three Outcomes:

- 1. <u>Rewards</u> for the faithful
- 2. <u>Rejection</u> for the false
- 3. <u>Retribution</u> for the foes

People are available Sunday mornings at the conclusion of each service to pray confidentially for your concerns. Simply come to the front as others are leaving ~ look for those wearing name tags. You can also email us your prayer requests.

<u>Application Questions</u> - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.

1. Read Luke 18:35-43. Bartimaeus is persistent in his cry out to Jesus. Discuss a time in your life when you have been persistent in calling out for the mercy of Jesus. What was His response?

If Jesus asked you the question he asked Bartimaeus and James and John (Mark 10:36),"What do you want me to do for you?" How would you respond?

In v. 39 some of the crowd were sternly telling Bartimaeus to be quiet. In similar ways, we can sometimes be a hindrance to unbelievers. In what ways can believers be a hindrance?

What are some ways that we can be spiritually blind? What are some of the symptoms of spiritual blindness?

2. Read Luke 19:1-10 Describe Zaccheus's appearance and character. Why didn't people like him? Are there groups of people in our society that we don't like?

In which ways is Zaccheus similar to us? In what ways is Zaccheus different from us?

Some have said that v10 is the theme of the Gospel of Luke. Do you agree or disagree and why?

3. Read Luke 19:11-27. What is the reason for this parable of the 10 minas? V.11

Two of the servants were faithful. In what ways are you like the faithful servants? In what area of your life do you struggle most to live intentionally for Christ?

How can we encourage each other to be faithful?