

# Confirmation Questions for Reflection & Home Discussion

## March 18 - Mark 10:35-52 James, John & Bart

### Share Highs & Lows from your day

Read the following text together and then talk about the questions listed.

- Mark 10:35-45 (James & John)
  - James and John have a bold request of Jesus. What do they ask?
  - Imagine a king sitting on his throne. James and John ask for power and notoriety by requesting seats next to Jesus.
    - Does Jesus grant their request?
    - If you were the 10 other disciples, how would you feel about James & John asking this of Jesus?
    - Have you ever “done the right thing” or stayed away from something that was questionable in hopes of being recognized or rewarded?
      - Ie...telling the truth to a parent/sibling/friend, etc.
  - The disciples James & John thought they had done enough to earn places of honor.
    - Jesus flips their idea of what a leader is upside down. What does Jesus say about those who want to be great?
    - Is it possible to be great, be a servant, and be “first” all at the same time?
    - Do we really have to put others before ourselves to fit into Jesus’s model of being great?
- Mark 10:46-52 (Bartimaeus)
  - How do you think Bartimaeus came to know who Jesus was?
  - Bart begins shouting when he learns Jesus is walking down the road.
    - Close your eyes for a few moments and imagine yourself sitting alongside the road with a large crowd passing by. The crowd is noisy and there is dust flying everywhere. It is hard to breathe at times and you’re not exactly sure what is going on.
    - Would you yell out to Jesus?
    - As people next to you shouted at you and told you to be quiet, how would you respond? Would you continue to call out to Jesus?
  - Jesus finally calls Bart over to him.
    - Jesus then asks Bart what he would like him to do. Do you think Jesus didn’t know that Bart wanted to regain his sight? Why did he ask this?
    - Jesus declares that “Your \_\_\_\_\_ has healed you.” to Bart. This is a great story of healing.
    - How does Bart respond to this miracle?
    - In what ways are you actively following Jesus in your life?
- Closing
  - As we seek to follow Jesus during this time of uncertainty, how can we specifically be praying for:
    - our friends?
    - our family?
    - our confirmation small group?
    - People around the globe?
  - Spend time praying with one another. Ask the people with you if they have specific prayer requests.
    - Things to be thankful for
    - Things we are struggling with