

PENINSULA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Screaming At Jesus

Do you ever scream?

What sort of things prompt you to scream?

 Sporting events, politicians, run away pets, being startled...

 How about **a toddler running into the street or fire?**

Do you scream for joy, fear, threat, strong desire?

What about help? Would you ever scream for **HELP!**

How about God? Would you ever scream at Him?

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Jesus & Co. are moving toward Jerusalem

He told them what will happen

He engaged James & John and brought correction and clarification

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Now they're moving through Jericho (**Mark 10:46-52**)

How is Bart's prayer request **different** from James & John?

- Well, **he got what he asked for**

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What did he ask for?

- **MERCY.** They asked for **position, recognition and influence**
- He asked for what **he didn't deserve**
- They asked for what they thought **they were in position for**
- They asked **in private**
- **He screamed his head off in public**

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What benefit did Bart want?

 Nothing more than anyone else

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Luke 17:5-10 & 18:10-14 – Servants, religious people & tax cheats

Bart, the field hands & the publican **saw themselves well...**

They were surrendered **without expectation**

So, they could **receive freely** and God could give freely

Matthew 13:54-58 – Unbelief **in Him**, not what He could do.

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How might we **pray like Blind Bart?**

- Start by honoring **who He IS**
- Ask without **expectation** or **comparison**

John 21:21-22, "Lord, what about this man? What is that to you? You follow Me."

Matthew 5:3 – His first ever **public promise**.

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We could also pray **our eyes would be open** to see Him as **He IS**.

And **follow Him** wherever He goes

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When they get to Jerusalem people will be screaming, too.

- Screaming for **what they want**
- Screaming for **what they believe He should do**