



**Praying with the
Gospel of Mark
chapter 10 verses
46 to 52**

1

Let's prepare

Sit well, breathe deeply,
Make a gesture of entering into a relationship,
Speak to the Lord in response to his question: "How are you?" .

Read the text for the first time

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Remember the story: tell yourself the story or the text I'm going to meditate on and let an image come.

Read the story a second time

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Asking for a grace

Give me to let myself be loved by you.

2

Meditate

- Stay in priority where the heart and intelligence are drawn.
- Take the suggested avenues.
- Focus on each of these declarations of love that God gives us. Stay there as long as I want.

First lead

A blind man with his eyes... but not with his heart

He knows Jesus because he calls him and trusts him. Her eyes are closed to the light of day but her heart is open to meet Jesus.

I tell him why I trust Jesus.

Second lead

Look at Bartimaeus: he is a beggar, blind, seated, but he is neither deaf nor dumb. He hears that Jesus is passing on the path where he is. He is not resigned either. Full of hope he cries out to Jesus. Hear twice his cry: "Son of David, Jesus, have mercy on me." *And me, what is my cry? What is my desire? I express this desire to God.*

Third lead

A crowd that stands in the way

Look at the crowd that stands in the way of Bartimaeus' desire: "Many rebuffed him to impose silence on him".

I try to see what in my life is an obstacle to meeting Jesus.

Fourth lead

Courage, get up, he calls you

Because Jesus stops and calls Bartimaeus, the crowd changes attitude, becomes a helper. Hear his encouragement for me. "Courage, get up, he is calling you". *Let this sentence descend into me to do what it says.*

Fifth lead

A blind man who abandons the security of his coat

Look at Bartimaeus, who at this call, gets up, rejects his coat, jumps up. Fill my eyes with this dynamism. *And ask myself: for me, what would be the mantle to reject in order to go to Jesus?*

Sixth lead

Jesus awakening desire: "What do you want...?"

Look at Jesus. He knew how to hear Bartimaeus' cry. Admire his attention to people. Listen to the question he asks her: "What do you want me to do for you?" *He does not know for the other. He is the arousal of desire. Hear this question for me and answer it.*

3

Let's talk

Based on what I watched and listened to, what do I want to say to God? Admiration, thank you, praise, request, forgiveness, question, etc.

End with an Our Father and a gesture.