

Connect Group Guide: "He Hears You"



Passage: Mark 10:46 - 52

Sermon Link: • He Hears You | The Gospel of Mark

Welcome:

(Choose a question for your group to discuss)

- What is the loudest environment you have ever experienced? (E.g. Airport/Full sports stadium)
- What has been your most intimate experience with God? Please share...

Worship:

(May choose to use YouTube or other mediums to facilitate your time of worship)

• Link: Chris Tomlin - God Who Listens (Lyric Video) feat. Thomas Rhett

Word:

(Discuss these questions in your group, encourage everyone to take part)
Before reading the scripture:

- Why do you think people can start to feel lost in big crowds?
- Do you ever feel like your voice is drowned out amongst the voices of others?
- Do you ever feel that God does not personally hear you among all the other voices? Discuss...



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- What do you think it means to call out to God in true desperation?
- The blind man was aware of his own condition before calling out to Jesus...
 Why is it important to recognise our own imperfect & sinful conditions as we call out to Jesus?
- One could argue that the blind could see better than the crowd because he recognised Jesus as "the Son of David". How is seeing with spiritual eyes different from seeing with natural eyes?
- Although the man knew his own condition, it was more important that he knew who Jesus was.
 - Have you ever experienced focussing too much on your personal condition whilst losing your focus on Jesus? What placed your focus back on Jesus?
- Jesus knew the man's condition yet asked him: "What do you want me to do for you?" Why do you think it was important for the man to verbalise his need to Jesus? Is this still relevant today?
- Healing does not occur because of our faith but because of the one who heals. Discuss...
- How are we called to respond if our prayers for healing are not immediately answered?

Works:

(Take some time for personal reflecting on the following questions and then share back with the group)

- Which areas of your life are in desperate need of Jesus? How are you being called to call out to Jesus in those areas?
- How are you being challenged to place your focus on Jesus during this season of your life?

Closing:

(Remember to ask for prayer requests.)

Pray for the specific needs of those in the group.