"When Jesus Passed By"

Text: Luke 19:1-10

Introduction:

- Today we want to look at four individual cases of what happens when "Jesus Passed By".
- In each of these cases we will see that the individual involved had either a physical impediment or ailment.
- In each case what we want to focus on is not so much on the healing that took place (the physical aspect)
- But on the marvelous picture of salvation displayed in case (the spiritual aspect)
- What is pictured in each case is the resulting spiritual condition of an individual after receiving Jesus Christ as He passed by their way that day.

I. Zacchaeus (Luke 19:1-10)

> <u>V. 3 – His Physical Impediment.</u>

- ➢ He was short.
- Reminds us about the sinner.
 - Rom 3:23 "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;"

> <u>V. 4 – Shows How Man Deals With His Sin Problem.</u>

- > By his own effort Zacchaeus climbing up the tree
- > Picture of man trying to reach up to God under his own power.
- > The Bible reminds us about salvation in **Eph. 2:8-9. Read.**
- "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast."

V. 5 – Jesus Personal Invitation to be saved

- > The Lord gives each individual a personal invitation to be saved.
- > See Isaiah 1:18

V. 6 – Zacchaeus Receives Christ

- Notice he receives Christ without delay
 - "And he made haste, and came down,..."
- > The Bible reminds the sinner to receive Christ without delay.
 - 2 Cor. 6:2 "(For he saith I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the dayof salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold now is the day of salvation.)"

Vs. 8-10 – Zachaeus's Conversion

- > V. 8 Evidence of his conversion.
- The Bible reminds as a result of salvation in 2 Cor 5:17, "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."

II. Bartimaeus (Mark 10:46-52)

V. 46 – His Physical Ailment

- He was blind.
- Reminds of what sin can do.
- > Blind us to our spiritual condition
- > Reminds of us that unsaved man lies in spiritual darkness.
- The Bible reminds us in 2Cor. 4:4 who is involved in this blinding and the purpose behind the blinding – "In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God should shine unto them."

V. 46 – His Position in Life

- ➢ He was a beggar
- A man conditions before Christ is a partaker of the weak and beggarly elements of life.
- He was an out cast of society.
- > We find him along the highway begging.
- > Jesus said, "...and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out."

> <u>V. 49 - Jesus Personal Invitation to be saved</u>

V. 50 – Bartimaeus's Response

"Casting away garment"

- > Pictures a man casting away his self-righteous.
- > No longer trusting in himself to save himself
- He arise and goes to Jesus

V. 51 – Jesus' Question

- Pictures Jesus asking all lost sinners.
- > What is you would like me to do for you.

V. 51 – Bartimaeus' Response

- > Pictures the response of every lost sinner that wants to be saved.
- Simple, Lord be merciful to me a sinner.
- Lord Save me from my sins!!!

V. 52 – Bartimaeus' Conversion.

- Pictures a sinner's conversion.
- Notice it was "immediately"
- Salvation is immediately the instant you call upon the name of the Lord to save you.
- > There no waiting around to speak in tongues as evidence.
- No, salvation is an event **<u>not</u>** a process.

III. The Woman with the Issue of Blood (Mark 5:24-34)

> A. Her Ailment vs. 25-26

- $\circ~$ She had a blood ailment loss of blood
- Pictures how sin will make a person anemic and weak spiritually.
- Notice v. 26 She tried all the medical solutions of the world but it not only made her condition worse but also took all her money.
 - Pictures a sinner trying all the man-made religious solution to his sin problem.
 - They don't save you from your sin and your are still going to hell.
 - And often times they will drain you of your money, i.e. faith healers, televangelist send me money for a prayer cloth.

B. Her Realization vs. 28-29

- She realizes the only solution to her problem and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- She has tried everything and everyone else but they failed her miserably.
- Pictures a sinner who humbles himself before the Saviour asks Him to save them.
 - $\circ~$ In order to be saved one needs humility.
 - James4:6 & 1 Peter 5:5.

> <u>C. Evidence of Her Conversion - vs. 33</u>

 $\circ~$ She made a public confession.

Romans 10:9-10

IV. The Leper (Matthew 8:1-4)

V.2 – His Physical Ailment

- \blacktriangleright He was a leper.
- > Leprosy is a picture of sin in the Bible.
- > Leprosy made one a walking dead man.
 - Waiting death to finally come.
- > This leper pictures a sinner dead in trespasses and sin without Christ.
 - Just waiting to die and go to hell.
- > Leprosy made one a social outcast.
 - A leper had to call out when he saw someone approaching, "Unclean, Unclean."
 - Pictures the unsaved sinner will never be able to enter heaven because their will be no sin in heaven.

- He will be an outcast of heaven's shore
- > There is no medical cure for leprosy.
 - $\circ~$ Pictures there exists no man made cure for sin.
 - Religion can't solve your sin problem
 - Good works can't solve your sin problem
 - Church membership, baptism, being a good moral person can't solve your sin problem.
 - Only one who can solve your sin problem is Jesus Christ.

> <u>V.2 – Leper realizes who can heal him of this incurable disease.</u>

- Pictures a lost sinner coming to a realization of the one who can cure their sin problem.
- \circ $\;$ Notice first the man came and then asked.
- Pictures the only way the lost sinner can be saved is to first <u>come</u> to Jesus and then <u>ask</u> Him to save you.

V.3 – Jesus' Response

- Pictures the fact that Jesus will never turn anyone down who asks to be saved.
- Jesus said, "Come unto to me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matt. 11:28
- Jesus said, "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and sup with him, and he with me." Rev. 3:20
- The Last invitation of the Bible is found in Revelation 22:17 Read

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Conclusion:

- If you have never come to Jesus to have your incurable spiritual disease of sin cured.
- Don't let Him Pass You By today.
 - He wants to save you.
- > Won't you come to day and be saved and have your sins forgiven.
- > There will be no waiting around.
- > Your salvation will take place immediately.
- The moment the instant you called upon the name of the Lord to save you.