SERMON SERIES: MOVEMENT SPEAKER: SCOTT BECKENHAUER

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Key Line

"Stop For a Moment."

Introduction

We are in a new week of our Movement series. Last week we talked about how Jesus flipped the script by being a servant leader, and how we should do the same. Our passage for the week comes from Mark 10, and we will be focusing on how Jesus stopped to heal a man named Bartimaeus. So this week, we are continuing the series by talking about how God calls us to stop for others.

In general, we aren't very good at "stopping" because we are always on the go. Is it hard
for you to "stop" and slow down? What ways do you like to stop and slow your roll?
(Using a calendar, using a to-do list, etc. or maybe you just don't have a way to slow
down. That's okay!)

Seek the Word

Read Mark 10:46-52.

- In verse 48, Bartimaeus says "Son of David, have mercy on me!" What might it mean for Jesus to "have mercy" on him?
- Why might those with Jesus have rebuked Bartimaeus for calling out to Jesus?
- What does the response of Jesus to Bartimaeus tell us about who Jesus is?
- How does verse 52 help us understand what Jesus wants from people?

Go Deeper

In our passage this week, Jesus is on the way to Jerusalem for the Passover celebration. Bartimaues also calls Jesus "rabbi." Look into the historical context and background of either the Passover celebration or the word "rabbi." Using a Bible, Bible dictionary, concordance, or an online tool like Blue Letter Bible or Logos will be helpful.

Talk About It

- Every interruption can either get in our way or it can show the way of Jesus. Do you find yourself struggling when things are interrupted? Why or why not?
- Have you experienced Jesus stopping for you in your own life? What was that like?
- Who can you stop for this week? How can you show Jesus to someone by helping them?
- What can we, as a group, do to help you this week?

Wrap Up

Reminder: Following Jesus requires that we stop for others.

Challenge: This week, choose one way that you can stop to help someone. It can be something as simple as printing off the papers you know a coworker will need ahead of time or making a meal for a friend, or something more elaborate like handing out socks to unhomed people in our community. Pick a date and time to do the activity you pick, and commit to doing it. Before you do the activity, pray that God will use you during this time so that the other person will know Jesus better.