

Matthew 9:27-31
"Jesus Heals 2 Blind
Men"

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1. Introduction
 - a. Two blind men who could not see
 - they can hear family & market gossip
 - they can hear the street news
 - they can hear the crowd ~~news~~ ^{noise}
 - b. These 2 blind men followed Jesus in the crowd
 - c. They followed Jesus into someone's home
2. ~~d. They~~ Two blind men follow Jesus
 - a. They followed after Jesus in the crowd
 - b. They called out to Him "Son of David" above noise from crowd
 - they knew about religious teaching that David would have a future descendent who would rule Israel
 - * royal house of David
 - c. They asked for Jesus' mercy
 - Mercy? they knew of Jesus miracles
 - * they wanted Jesus to heal them
 - d. No response from Jesus so far
3. Two men Come Into House
 - a. Jesus comes into someone's house
 - not blind men's home
 - not Jesus home
 - b. Blind often begged for charity sitting at city gate
 - most people coming & going
 - c. Personal homes often away from city gates on narrow side streets
 - main streets from city gates often lined with shops

4. Jesus asks about their faith
- Somehow 2 blind men ^{came} through city streets into house
 - ~~Jesus~~ They finally reached Jesus
 - Jesus simply asks them, "Do you believe that I can do this?"
 - "Have mercy on ~~the~~ us."
 - They answered Jesus with 2 words
 - "Yes" - they believe Jesus' words
 - "Lord" - they admit that Jesus was something more than simply only human
 - * none of the Old Testament prophets were ever called "Lord"
 - * "Lord" is God's name

5. Jesus rewards their faith
- Jesus touches their eyes
 - "According to your faith..."
 - their healing depended on their faith first in Jesus
 - "let it be" - healing can be their's
 - Then their eyes were opened
 - they could see with their eyes

6. Jesus last command to them
- Don't let others know this healing
 - Various times Jesus told this to others under particular situations
 - After they left, they spread the news all over the region
 - News of Jesus spread out again
 - more fame for Jesus
 - clearly this was not Jesus intention
 - Jesus disciples saw the results
 - Jesus ministry
 - Jesus intent was to teach & to preach the gospel of the kingdom
 - * Mt 9:35, 37-38