

# "CONSCIOUS AND INTENTIONAL MINISTRY: DOING WHO I AM"

My eyes focused and clear, so that I can see exactly what it is he is calling me to do... Eph. 1:18 MSG

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### MARK 10:46-52

# TITLE: IN IT TO WIN OR IN IT TO NOT LOSE?

### **INTRODUCTION**

- A. "The kingdom is forcefully advancing, pressing its way into the world, and believers are forcefully taking hold of the kingdom to make it their own" (Matthew 11:12)
  - 1. The Your Kingdom Come (on earth as it is in heaven). Our goal should be to **Apply Kingdom Principles** and **Practices to Earthly Living**
  - 2. Your Will Be Done (on earth as it is in heaven). Our goal should be to **Apply God's Purposes and Plans** to Earthly Decisions
- B. What is preventing me from fulfilling my ministry calling to win versus to not lose?\_\_\_\_\_
- C. The Fear of Trying
- D. Example of the Rich Young Ruler

## TRYING SAYS, "HERE'S MY CHANCE"

A. How did Bartimaeus hear that it was Jesus?

B. The more important people were at the front of the crowd

- C. "Here's my chance"
- D. "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me" \_\_\_\_\_
- E. What are you facing right now? "Here's your chance?

# OTHERS WILL TALK YOU OUT OF TRYING

- A. "Be quiet" (A rebuke. It would have been yelled)
- B. Too many have permitted others to talk them out of doing something they were meant to do \_\_\_\_\_
  - 1. "When God tells you something, it is a good chance that others will not understand it. And, if they did understand it, God would not have had to tell you."
  - 2. "If you can think of it, you can do it."
  - 3. "God gives us dreams to prepare us today for what He plans to do on tomorrow."
  - 4. "When God gives you something to do, He is already in the future watching you do it."

### REMAIN PERSISTENT IN YOUR FAITH TO KEEP TRYING

- A. At the persistent faith of Bartimaeus to keep trying, Jesus stopped what He was doing
- B. Jesus asked, "What do you want Me to do for you?"
  - 1. Initially, he asked for mercy (He asked for mercy to receive from Jesus' heart)
  - 2. Now, he is asking to see (He asked to be healed to receive from Jesus' hands)
- C. At our persistent faith to keep trying
  - 1. Jesus will stop what He is doing
  - 2. Jesus will ask us what we want Him to do for us
- D. Nothing changes if we do nothing \_\_\_\_\_
- E. Overcome the Fear of Trying: Keep trying, keep pushing, keep pressing, keep going...