

## **Giving Sight to the Blind**

**Text:** Mark 8:22-26

**Context:** In Mark 8, Jesus had already dealt with the spiritually deaf and blind Pharisees (vs. 11-13), and the spiritually deaf and blind disciples (vs. 14-21). He now is going to patiently heal a blind man.

### **To have Jesus open your eyes...**

#### **1. \_\_\_\_\_ His leading (vs. 22-23a)**

- A. Jesus takes the blind man by the hand and leads him to a remote area outside the village for personal attention. He then proceeds to open the man's eyes.
- B. The Bible tells us how we cannot get to God on our own. That as we are dead in our sins (Ephesians 2:1), God comes to us (John 6:44) and rescues us from peril (Luke 15:3-5). Can you remember how Jesus lead you and worked in the events of your life to bring you to that place of faith and repentance?

#### **2. \_\_\_\_\_ to His work (vs. 23b-24)**

- A. No doubt, the actions that Jesus took to heal this man were strange. Spitting in his eyes and doing a repeat laying on of hands. The man at first sees a very strange image but then eventually sees everything clearly.
- B. The Disciples were observing the works of Jesus but they were not seeing things clearly. Jesus continued to work on them until their eyes were completely opened.

#### **3. \_\_\_\_\_ His patience (vs. 25-26)**

- A. Jesus was patient with the blind man, placing his hands on his eyes twice. It is not that the man had a lack of faith, but that Jesus was using the man as a living parable to show how God opens the eyes of the spiritually blind.
- B. When God is working in our lives to reveal Himself, he is patient with us to make certain we can see Him clearly.