

According to your Faith

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 $\mathcal W$ elcome to Jesus Time where we spend time with Jesus in His time and culture.

And as Jesus passed on from there, two blind men followed him, crying aloud, "Have mercy on us, Son of David." ²⁸ When he entered the house, the blind men came to him, and Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to him, "Yes, Lord." ²⁹ Then he touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith be it done to you." ³⁰ And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, "See that no one knows about it." ³¹ But they went away and spread his fame through all that district. Matthew 9:27-31 ESV

We are splitting hairs here but for us Gentiles this would most likely be considered the evening of the same busy day that Jesus has just had but for the Jewish people evening technically begins the next day. Why? Because within the Torah's account of Creation Scripture states that there was evening then morning the first day.

So this is how the Jewish people continue to view the order of passing days first night then day. For clarification the Jews do use approximately 6PM (Sundown averaged) as the start of the next day as compared to midnight for us. However it is technically Sunset that legally begins the next day.

中And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening
and the morning were the first day.Genesis 1:5 KJV

Ok, Matthew now picks up for us from when Jesus leaves the house of Jairus and returns to His adoptive home in Capernaum. This being the Apostle brothers Peter & Andrew's family compound in another separate guest house. Perhaps this was actually their parent's residence earlier in life? Speculative.

The Apostle Matthew then records as Jesus was making His way home not one but two blind men were following Jesus while crying out to Him.

In Israel during Jesus Time for the blind men to call Jesus the "Son of David" this equals to implying or prescribing Him to be T<u>h</u>e Messiah/Savior of King David's linage Biblically prophesized to rule forever. Further the blind men's cry of "Son of David have mercy on us" is in itself an admission of Faith that Jesus is in their estimation T<u>h</u>e Christ Messiah with the authority and ability to heal & forgive them.

Matthew's Gospel further records that these two blind men were then brought to Jesus behind closed doors and now we are starting to hear time and again when Christ Jesus states "by your Faith" (of belief) "may it be done for you."

Also take care to remember here that earlier in this day of when Jesus by His Grace responded even unconsciously/automatically to the adult woman as in healing her as she literally quite desperately reached out and touched Him in Faith. Then, when-Jairus was simply informed that his daughter was dead, Jesus then told him to only Trust and Believe.

Also the previously healed Roman Centurions son from afar because the Roman understood command. While likewise the natural world as in Jesus controlling the weather then including the Spiritual realm being the Legion of demon which were each controlled by Christ's authority as the Living Word of GOD. Our point being; Christ in Jesus now privately tells these two blind men they will receive their sight if they just "Believe." So tis true that these events do prove that Jesus meets us where we are. As in the level and degree of our Faith.

Meaning at least initially by our expectations and or preconceived limitations of Him and His Grace. This is hard to comprehend but Jesus does meet everyone who reaches out to Him as we need Him in Belief. Look again Jesus healed the Roman boy from afar & by a touch from the adult woman, & now by Belief healed these 2 blind men while also by speaking with Divine authority the winds upon the Sea of Galilee obeyed, & then also the Legion of demons fled, & finally the dead girl was raised. Again in Faith but by the pattern of Belief of the individual. This must be because of our free Will. We may be only scratching the Theological surface of the premise here but this is the crux of the idea.

Finally our albeit necessarily repetitive multi lesson point here being is: that these miracles on this very specific special day in & around Capernaum are indeed coalescing into an understanding that Faith & Belief in Jesus as our Saving Messiah/Christ & His abilities are indeed the paramount issue. The very reason for His miracles with preaching & teaching are for us to Believe and then receive His Grace of Pardon. Jesus Saves! (Us from ourselves our Sin debt unto GOD)

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Continuing

And as they were going out, behold, a demon-possessed man who was unable to speak was brought to Him. ³³ And after the demon was cast out, the man who was previously unable to speak talked; and the crowds were amazed, and were saying, "Nothing like this has ever been seen in Israel." ³⁴ But the Pharisees were saying, "He casts out the demons by the ruler of the demons."

Ok, here we have a little time jump. Meaning sometime hence the next day or no, but soon after Jesus and His Apostles/Disciples set out again in traveling Ministry and we read that whenever Jesus continues to supernaturally heal someone- the Pharisee's were quick to respond with their now standard prepared answer which unfortunately for them is the unpardonable unforgivable Sin.

Denying Jesus while attributing Him who is Holy to be evil. Warning Rejection of Christ works both Ways.

Concluding

Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. ³⁸ Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." Matthew 9:35-38 NIV

Jesus informs His Apostles a Spiritual Harvest now approaches & Faithful field laborers are needed.