

Compass Bearing #20  
Devotions to Navigate the Coronavirus Pandemic  
**"What do You Want"**  
Thursday, May 7, 2020  
by **Pastor Mark Ellcessor**

In Mark 10:46-52, Jesus met a blind man named Bartimaeus, who was sitting by the roadside begging as Jesus and the disciples walked by. When Jesus called for him, Bartimaeus sprang to his feet and made his way to Him. Then the Son of God looked at the blind man and asked, "What do you want me to do for you?"

It's a good question. Did the blind man want to see, which would mean he could no longer beg for a living? Or did he simply want some money, or food, or something else? "The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see." <sup>52</sup>"Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road (v. 51-52).

Imagine that Jesus comes strolling up to you today and asks the question, "What do you want me to do for you?" What would you answer? Would you name the thing that has been a burden for so long? Would you trust Jesus to meet that need?

James 4:2 says, "You do not have because you do not ask God."

Jesus said this to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours" (Mark 11:24).

Here is my suggestion. Instead of simply reading this devotion, BE in devotion. Stop what you are doing right now. Sit in silence. No phones. No distractions. And listen to the Holy Spirit. What is he saying to you? What is he asking of you? What is he wanting to do in you? Listen to his voice.

Then, do what the Spirit says.

Short devotion. Big assignment. What are you waiting for?