

JESUS GIVES SIGHT TO A BLIND MAN (based on Luke 18:35-43)

One day, as Jesus was on the way to Jericho, there was a **blind man** begging at the roadside. When he heard a crowd going past, he asked people what was happening. They said, “Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.” Then he began to shout loudly, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” The people standing at the front of the crowds got annoyed and told him to be quiet; but he shouted louder still, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Jesus stopped and called for him to be brought to him. He asked, “What do you want me to do for you?” The man answered, “Lord, let me see again.” Jesus said, “Receive your sight, your faith has saved you.” At once he was able to see again and followed Jesus along the road, praising God. The people who had seen what had happened also praised God.

JESUS FORGIVES A SINNER (based on Luke 7:36, 40, 44-50)

One of the Pharisees called Simon invited Jesus to a meal. Jesus went to his house and sat down. A woman who had lived a sinful life heard that Jesus was eating at Simon’s house. During the meal she brought in an alabaster jar of sweet-smelling ointment and began washing Jesus’ feet. Simon didn’t think much of her because everyone said she was a **sinner**. Jesus said to Simon, “You see this woman, she has washed my feet with her tears, wiped them with her hair, anointed them with her ointment. You, Simon, did not wash or dry my feet. Nor did you anoint my head with oil.” Jesus said, “Everything she has done wrong is forgiven her. She has shown great love.” He told the woman, “Your sins are forgiven.” Everyone at the meal began to say, “Who can this man be if he forgives sins?”