

You've Got to Know About This Jesus

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"As Jesus approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. ³⁶When he heard the crowd going by, he asked what was happening. ³⁷They told him, 'Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.' ³⁸He called out, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' ³⁹Those who led the way rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' ⁴⁰Jesus stopped and ordered the man to be brought to him. When he came near, Jesus asked him, ⁴¹'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Lord, I want to see,' he replied. ⁴²Jesus said to him, 'Receive your sight; your faith has healed you.' ⁴³Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus, praising God. When all the people saw it, they also praised God." (Luke 18:35-43 NIV)

Knowing God begins with a personal relationship with Jesus. In Luke 18:35-43, Jesus reveals His Father's love through the healing of a blind man. Three takeaways from this miracle:

- **The knowledge of the GOSPEL saves us from our sin.**

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"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16 NIV)

- **The knowledge of God's LOVE heals us from our pain.**

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"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. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd." (Matthew 9:35-36 NIV)

- **The knowledge of God's PROMISE gives us everlasting joy.**

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"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 8:38-39 NIV)