

The Second Touch **Mark 8:22-26**

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free. **Luke 4:18** (NLT)*

A. Ask Jesus for spiritual sight

1. Recognize our need for sight **v. 22a**

*You say, 'I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.' But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. **Rev 3:17** (NIV)*

2. Recognize our source of sight **v. 22b**

*The LORD opens the eyes of the blind. **Psalm 146:8** (NKJV)*

B. Let Jesus lead you to the truth

1. Jesus leads us out of darkness **v. 23a**

*Then Jesus began to denounce the towns in which most of his miracles had been performed, because they did not repent. "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. But I tell you, it will be more bearable for Tyre and Sidon on the day of judgment than for you. **Matt 20-22** (NIV)*

2. Jesus leads us into the light

*The people who walk in darkness will see a great light. For those who live in a land of deep darkness, a light will shine. **Isa 9:2** (NLT)*

*However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. **John 16:13** (NKJV)*

C. Trust Jesus to open your eyes

1. Jesus touched him **v. 23b-24**

"Had our Lord cast all His miracles in one mold men would have attached undue importance to the manner by which He worked, and would have surreptitiously thought more of it than the divine power by which the miracle was accomplished." -Charles Spurgeon

2. Jesus touched him again **v. 25**