

the  Venues
Go Deep
The Spirituality of the Beatles
Help
5.5.19

*When was a time you had to ask for help?
Why is it hard for some people to ask for help?*

John Lennon said about “Help.” *“The only true songs I ever wrote were ‘Help’ and ‘Strawberry Fields.’”*

What is so “true” or authentic about asking for help?

Read Mark 10:46-52

What lessons about asking for “help” do you get from this story?

How did Bartimaeus get Jesus’ attention (Take a look at verse 47)?

How would you describe Bart’s approach?

Take a look at the word “mercy.” *How many times is that word used in the story?*

I don’t know what hospital you are connected to, but connect the word “mercy” with “Mercy Hospital.”

What lesson about asking for “help” are learned from “mercy” and “hospital”?

Read Mark 10:35-45

What similarities do you see in these stories in Mark’s Gospel?

The name “Bartimaeus” means “son of timaeus” which means “son of honor.”

What does “honor” have to do with both stories?

Why do you think Jesus asked the people who were trying to suppress Bart to bring Bart to him?

Why do you think Jesus asked Bart, “What do you want me to do for you?” It seems like a “duh” question.

Who is your Bartimaeus? To whom can you be a help this week?

How would you answer Jesus’ question: “What do you want me to do for you?”