

BLIND BARTIMAEUS

Tiny Bible Treasures

Based on Luke 18:35–43 and Mark 10:46–5.

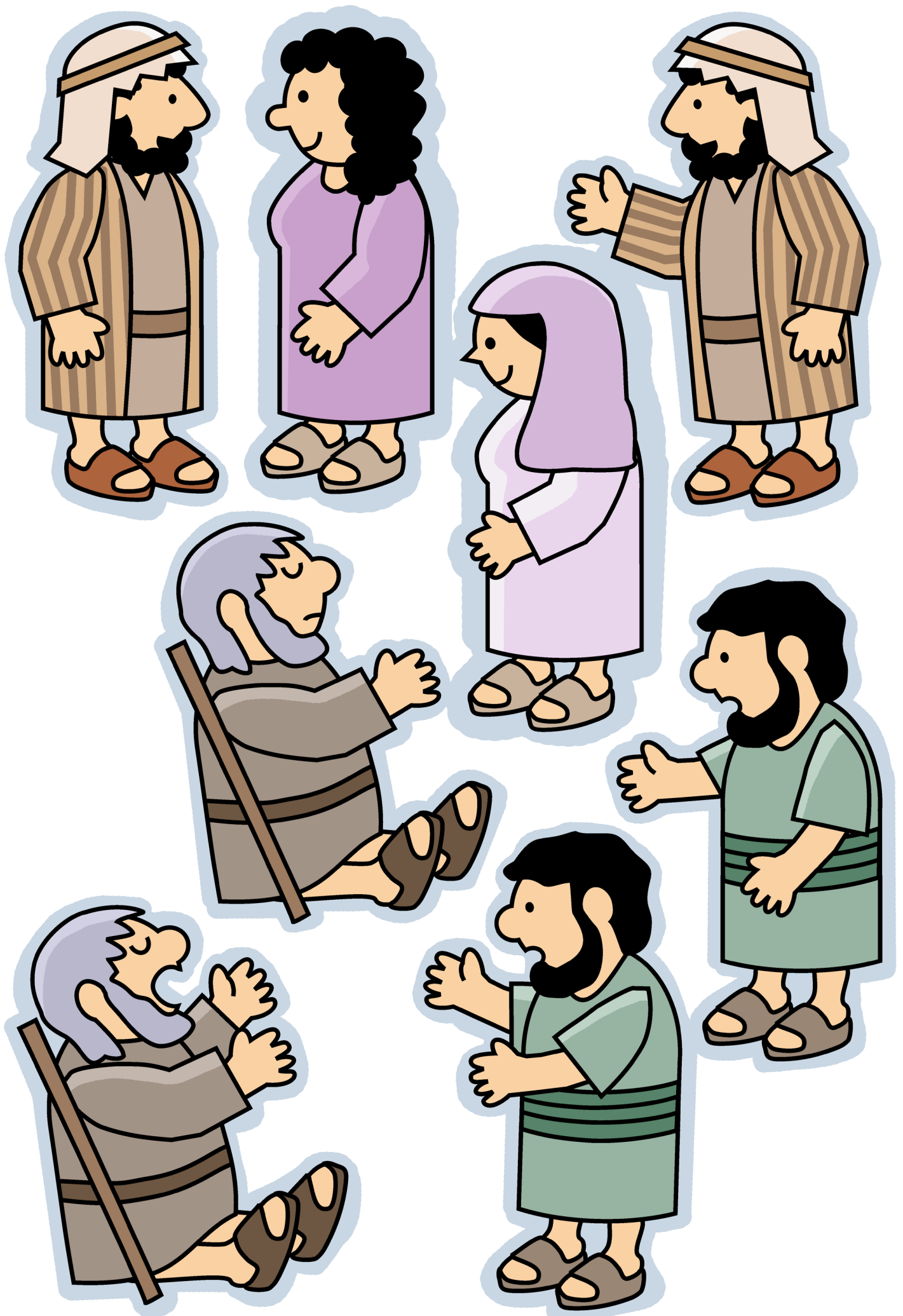
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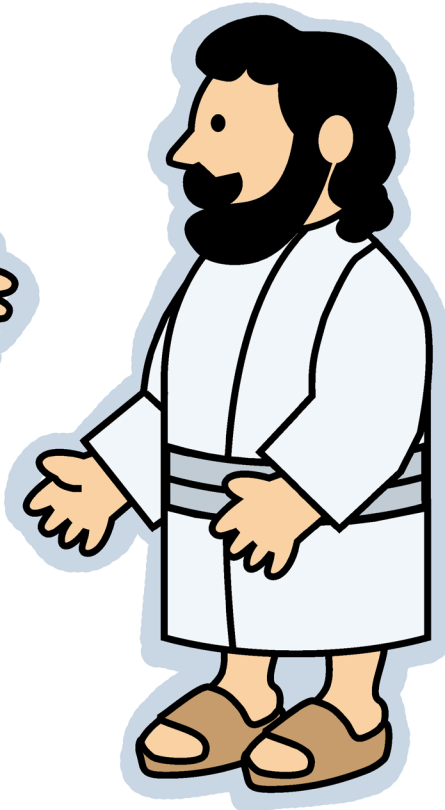
Print out the following pages. Cover the front of the flannelgraph pieces with clear contact paper. Cut out the pieces. Glue small pieces of sandpaper or felt on the back of each piece, so they will stick to a flannel board. Use these flannelgraph pieces to tell the story of blind Bartimaeus as told in Luke 18:35-43 and Mark 10:46-52, or read the story included at the end of this activity.

You can also photocopy the pages, and use these figures for other activities, such as, coloring pages, to create your own reader, wall posters, mobiles, etc.









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When Jesus walked through cities and villages with His disciples, many people followed Him.

One day when they were near the city of Jericho, Jesus and His disciples passed a man who sat by the road begging. This poor man was blind. His name was Bartimaeus.

When Bartimaeus heard the crowd of people passing by, he asked what was happening. "We are following Jesus of Nazareth," someone replied.

Bartimaeus had heard of Jesus and how He had healed people who were sick. He wanted to meet Jesus, so he called out loudly, "Jesus, have mercy on me!"

Some people didn't think it was right for this beggar to be calling out to Jesus like that, so they told him to be quiet. But Bartimaeus wanted Jesus to notice him. "Jesus, have mercy on me!" he shouted, even louder this time. People were embarrassed and annoyed by this beggar.

Jesus heard Bartimaeus calling to Him and stopped walking. "Bring the man to Me," Jesus said.

"Cheer up, Bartimaeus," someone said. "Jesus wants to see you." Bartimaeus jumped to his feet and walked to Jesus.

"What do you want Me to do for you?" Jesus asked Bartimaeus.

"Master," Bartimaeus said, "I want to see!"

Jesus said: "Your faith has healed you. Receive your sight."

Instantly, Bartimaeus was able to see. It was a miracle! Jesus had healed him. Bartimaeus was so happy that he jumped up and down for joy. He praised God for the answer, and then he followed Jesus along the way.