

him sure of receiving what he asked for?

52. How was he rewarded? What brought the healing? How did it come? Whence does faith come? (Eph. 2: 8.) How did the man show his gratitude?

For Seniors—46, 47. On what occasions had Christ performed similar miracles? (Matt. 12: 22; Matt. 20: 30; Matt. 21: 14; John 9: 1-7.) Give any points of difference between these and the one of to-day's lesson. What are the reasons for the prevalence of blindness in Eastern countries? Where was Bartimæus? Why there? How did he address Christ? Whom did he think Jesus to be?

48. When was a similar rebuke given? (Matt. 19: 13.) What was Bartimæus' prayer? Why was he so earnest? How is mercy shown to sinners? (Luke 1: 78; Isa. 54: 8.) Against what did Bartimæus persevere?

49. How does God call? (Rom. 1: 6; 2 Thess. 2: 14.) From what? (1 Peter 2: 9.) To whom is God's call addressed? (Isa. 45: 22; Matt. 28: 19.)

50. What was the garment? Why cast away?

51, 52. Give five proofs of faith shown by Bartimæus. Of what is blindness a type? Who can remove it? (John 8: 12.) What had Isaiah prophesied about Christ as a healer? (Isa. 35: 5; 42: 7; 61: 1.) What does Jesus say of Himself? (Luke 18: 21.)

Bible Side Lights—A Beggar—2 Sam. 2: 37; John 9: 8; Isa. 29: 18; Matt. 9: 27.

CALL YE HIM—Prov. 8: 4; Isa. 55: 6; Matt. 22: 3; Mark 10: 49.

BE OF GOOD COMFORT—Matt. 9: 22; Luke 8: 48; 2 Cor. 1: 3, 4; 13: 11; Phil. 2: 19.

CASTING AWAY HIS GARMENTS—Isa. 31: 7; John 13: 4; Mark 14: 51, 52.

FOLLOWED JESUS—Mark 10: 28; Matt. 4: 20, 22, 25; 8: 23; 9: 27; 19: 28; Luke 5: 11.

Topics for Brief Papers

(To be assigned the Sabbath previous.)

1. Tell the story of Bartimæus in your own words.
2. How hindrances are to be dealt with.
3. Faith as a gift of God.

FOR TEACHERS OF THE LITTLE ONES

Connection—One of the white tickets used last Sabbath will recall the only way of admission to heaven and eternal life.

Introduction—Ask the children to touch their eyes with their forefingers and say

"God has given us 'windows' to look out at the wonderful things He has made."

When these "windows" cannot be opened, people are blind. (All close eyes.) Speak of the sadness of being blind and the

joy of being able to see all the beautiful things about us. If we were blind, would we not love any person who could open our eyes and make us see? If any blind person be known to the children, the lesson will appeal the more to them.

Lesson—Will you all say this funny name, "Bartimæus"? He was a blind man whose "windows" Jesus opened. Jesus was making His last journey to Jerusalem. He and His

