

Passing through Jericho

Lesson aim: To examine events occurring on the road to Jerusalem.

Third prediction of the resurrection--Mt. 20:17-19 (Mk. 10:32-34; Lk. 18:31-34)

1. *Why do you think that Jesus continued to prophesy His death and resurrection?*
2. *How do you explain the apostle's continued incomprehension?*

Warning against ambitious pride--Mt. 20:20-28 (Mk. 10:35-45)

1. *Upon what is greatness in the kingdom of God based?*
2. *How did the Lord demonstrate these qualities?*

Healing blind Bartimaeus and his companion--Mt. 20:29-34 (Mk. 10:46-52; Lk. 18:35-43)

1. *What good qualities did the blind beggar illustrate?*

Salvation of Zaccheus--Lk. 19:1-10

1. *Was Zaccheus already a faithful Jew or was he a sinner? What is noteworthy about his repentance? In what sense was he a "son of Abraham"?*
2. *How does this story illustrate Jesus' purpose of seeking and saving the lost?*

**Parable to teach responsibility while the kingdom is delayed--
Lk. 19:11-28**

- 1. What events would transpire before the eternal kingdom would be established?*
- 2. How are God's people to live until Jesus returns?*

Research challenge:



What is the meaning of Jesus' expression "lord it over" others? How did the Gentile rulers do this? How can leaders in the church avoid "lording it over" those allotted to their charge? (1 Pet. 5:1ff)