## HOW TO MAKE A FRESH START

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Mark 10:46-52

"God gives a <u>fresh start</u> to those ready to quit." Ps. 145:14 (Msg)

1. **Seize** the moment.

"As Jesus... left town, a great crowd was following. A bind beggar named Bartimaeus was sitting beside the road <u>as Jesus was going by</u>. When Bartimaeus heard that Jesus was nearby, <u>he began to shout</u>, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

Mark 10:46-47 (NLT)

"Jesus said, 'No procrastination! No backward looks. You can't put off God's kingdom till tomorrow. <u>Seize the day!</u>" Luke 9:62 (Msg)

2. <u>Tame</u> your fear.

"Many of the people <u>scolded him</u> and told him to be quiet. But he shouted even more loudly, 'Have mercy on me!"

Mark 10:48 (GN)

"The fear of human opinion <u>disables you</u>: trusting in God protects you from that." Prov. 29:25 (Msg)

3. Announce your faith.

"Jesus asked him, 'What do you want Me to do for you?' The blind man answered, 'Teacher, I want to see."

Mark 10:51 (NCV)

"You ought to say, 'If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that."

James 4:15 (NIV)

"Your baptism in Christ was not just washing you up for a <u>fresh</u> <u>start</u>. It also involved dressing you in <u>an adult faith wardrobe</u> – Christ's life, the fulfillment of God's original

Gal. 3:27 (Msg) promise." 4. Receive God's Grace. "Jesus said to him, 'Go your way: your faith has made you well.' And immediately he reagined his sight..." Mark 10:52a (NAS) "From the fullness of His grace we have all received one blessing after another." John 1:16 (NIV) "That's why faith is the key! God's promise is given to us as a Rom. 4:16a (NLT) free aift." Take the next step. ... he regained his sight and began following Jesus on the Mark 10:52b (NAS) road."

"Everything that we have – right thinking, right living, a clean slate, and <u>a fresh start</u> – comes from God by way of Jesus Christ."

1 Cor. 1:30 (Msg

"If people say they have faith, but do nothing, their faith is

worth nothing..."

James 2:14 (NCV)

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