

## Calling All Curb Sitters

*Because of the compassion of Christ, it's worth following Him to the passion of Christ.*

### Calling All Curb Sitters by Lisa Harper

1. Describe a time you felt burned-out in a particular area of work or service. What do you think led to feeling that way? What did you do about it?
2. Lisa described the first half of Mark as the compassion of Christ. How would you explain the compassion of Christ with an unbeliever? Follow up: She also described the last half of Mark's Gospel as the passion of Christ. How would you describe the passion of Jesus?
3. **Read Mark 10:46-52.** How did Jesus' response to Bartimaeus change the way the crowd was acting? What role has Christian community played in your being able to stay "all-in" and fully engaged as you follow Jesus? What did Bartimaeus's response reveal about his heart?
4. Is there a situation in your life where you need to ask God to help you recover your "sight" in the sense that you've lost your mission and purpose? Follow up: Do you struggle to pray honestly with God? Why or why not?
5. What did Bartimaeus's newfound sight compel him to do? Imagine being able to see for the first time. What would you want to do and experience? Why do you think Bartimaeus chose to follow Jesus?.
6. Lisa asked, "*Are you sitting on the curb?*" Are you? What do you need to do about it? Follow up: How does Bartimaeus's story compare with yours as you connect in a relationship with Jesus and follow Him?
7. Who is God calling you to encourage to stay all-in and fully engaged as they follow Jesus? What will you do? Follow up: What is one thing you plan to do differently as a result of what you learned in this message?

