



Just Ask

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For me, there is no typical day at work. Everyday I visit different schools, work with different teachers and students, I say everyday is an adventure. On Wednesday, our third day of the new school year, I entered Mt. Gallant Elementary and the principal informed me that a camera crew from WCCB was coming for a celebration with the 4th graders. Interesting. A few minutes later the 4th graders and their teachers began filing out of their classrooms headed out to the bus loop. I held the door and followed them outside.

Jon Wilson, of Wilson's World, was there with his camera crew drumming up excitement among the students. I thought this was just a nice way to start the school year, and a great way to open a news broadcast. After a few minutes, I realized that this was not happenstance. One of the students had written a letter asking Jon if he could help her find a large rock for her school. She wanted a rock to be out front at the corner, that students could paint to celebrate and announce special occasions. He asked Hanna Bass to come forward out of the crowd of 4th graders. He briefly interviewed her - on TV - then slowly, an eighteen-wheeler came around the bend carrying a 1500lb rock for her school. AM-A-ZING!

This week's sighting of light made me think of the story of the two blind men in Matthew 20: 30-34.

29 As Jesus and his disciples were leaving Jericho, a large crowd followed him.

30 Two blind men were sitting by the roadside, and when they heard that Jesus was going by, they shouted, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!"

31 The crowd rebuked them and told them to be quiet, but they shouted all the louder, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!"

32 Jesus stopped and called them. "What do you want me to do for you?" he asked.

33 "Lord," they answered, "we want our sight."

34 Jesus had compassion on them and touched their eyes. Immediately they received their sight and followed him.

At first the blind men were general in their request, they acknowledged the Godhood of Jesus, but said to him, what they might say to any passerby as a request of money, "Have mercy on us!" The crowd told them to be quiet, but they did not listen. Sometimes our conscience tells us to be quiet. Sometimes we are quiet out of fear--which is not of God. Sometimes friends will tell us to "chill." When we are speaking to God, he knows what we need (Matt. 6:7) but we must be humble and ask. Once they had the attention of Jesus, he asked them to be specific, "What do you want me to do for you?" They responded with a specific request, and it wasn't a small request. It wasn't food or money or a place to stay, they asked for their sight. Anyone could have helped with the former needs, but it's possible that not even a doctor could have given them their sight. If anyone could, it would be Jesus, so they asked Him with boldness! Jesus had compassion on them, and restored their sight.

Hannah asked for a rock and she received a rock. Had she not asked, she would not have received. What is it in your life that you desire, but have not asked for? Why haven't you asked? God's answer to prayer is either yes, no, or wait. Just ask!

Jesus said in His sermon on the mount, "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Matthew 5:7.

Amen!

Have a wonderful week!

Kim

If you would like to see the video of Mt. Gallant's 4th grade receiving their new rock, [click here](#).
I thought I was taller than 4th graders, but I'm really not! I am in the back. :-)