



## Monthly Meditation

July, 2026

### Monthly Theme

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“Hope is Louder than the Crowd.”

### Scripture

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Matthew 20:29-31

“As they left Jericho, a great crowd followed him. Two blind men were sitting by the roadside, and when they heard that Jesus was passing by, they cried out, ‘Son of David, have pity on us!’ The crowd warned them to be silent, but they called out all the more, “Lord, Son of David, have pity on us!”

### Reflection

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1. Read the passages aloud and then one more time, slowly and thoughtfully.
2. Reflect on what word or phrase from these words of Jesus stand out to you.
3. Read the passages once more, slowly and thoughtfully.
4. What do you feel the Lord is trying to tell you in this word or phrase?

## **Discussion**

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1. What word or phrase from this scripture passage stands out to you? Why?
2. How would you define "hope"? What does it mean to have hope in something or someone?
3. Why do you think hope can be "louder than the crowd" in your or someone else's life?
4. What makes you most hopeful?
5. What are some things that you hope for the most?

## **Action**

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In our world today, many people feel hopeless. This month, try to share a message of hope with someone you know who might be struggling.

## **Prayer**

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### An Act of Hope

O my God, relying on Your infinite mercy and promises, I hope to obtain pardon for my sins, the help of Your grace, and life everlasting, through the merits of Jesus Christ, my Lord and Redeemer. Amen.