

of Jerusalem and other places there were more blind people than Bartimaeus, but that was the blind man that Jesus chose to heal. She knows that there were many lame people but he did not heal all the lame. We all know that more people were dead than Lazarus, but only Lazarus was raised from the dead. It seems to me that in all of the work and the teaching that Jesus did, he emphasized the value and importance of that one that could be reached. No one was so unimportant that he or she should be disregarded, that if there were a kindness which could be bestowed and it was within the power of one of us to bestow it, we have an obligation to follow that example and bestow that kindness. Senator Nelson nor anybody else has said that this program is hurtful to the youngsters. She objects partially because the good of the program cannot be spread to all of the similarly situated young people. Senator Nelson, you and I know that the Legislature would never expend enough money to reach all those youngsters through a program such as this. We start out slow. We work our way on up. You even remember where Jesus said a little leaven leaveneth the whole; faith as a grain of mustard seed can move mountains; always the small, the tiny, the apparently insignificant so that nobody would feel so unimportant or inconsequential that he or she would not put forth whatever effort was possible to bring about a change. If we could help 100 young people, if we could help 90, if we could help 10, if we could help one, the \$30,000 would be well spent. It costs half that much to keep somebody in prison for one year. Nobody is saying this program is a miracle worker, and I don't know why any of us would suspect or expect that when we're dealing with those who have the greatest need, we're going to look for a change which borders on the miraculous when we don't look for that from those who are less in need. Senator Nelson, if a person cannot walk at all and we can bring that person to the point where she or he limps along, that is virtually a miracle. If we have somebody who runs, but does not run as fast as he or she can, we don't expect that person to run at the maximum rate of speed. We just say run fast enough to do this or that.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So those with more ability, those with more means, we don't look for as much from them as we apparently want to extract from these young people and this program. I say that if the person is ill and needs medicine, the person is also hungry and thirsty and all we have to offer is a crust of bread