

Sermon-Based Discussion

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BIBLE PASSAGES

Mark 2:1-12

Jesus Heals a Paralytic

1And when he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. **2**And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door. And he was preaching the word to them. **3**And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. **4**And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay. **5**And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “**Son, your sins are forgiven.**” **6**Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, **7**“Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?” **8**And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, “**Why do you question these things in your hearts? 9Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Rise, take up your bed and walk’? 10But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins**”—he said to the paralytic—**11**“**I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home.**” **12**And he rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, “We never saw anything like this!”

Other Scripture references: Psalm 103:12, Luke 5:26

Group Discussion & Life Challenge

Use these notes as discussion prompts for your group, or in your personal time with God.

Connect:

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, fellowship.

Care:

Carry each other's burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Pray together.

Challenge:

Dive into God's Word. Use these discussion questions. Learn from each other's insight

Reflection/Discussion Questions:

A moment with Jesus was worth a broken roof and ruined reputation. What prevents us from bringing those that are hurting to Jesus? What would that look like for us to do this today?

Which group do you identify with the most? The Crowd, the friends and the paralytic, or the scribes?

Jesus was celebrated by those with faith and He disappointed those that had unbelief. Do you struggle with unbelief? Do you find yourself being cynical towards Christians?

The best news is that instead of "a" healing we have "the" Healer.

How do you present Jesus to others? The healer or a healer?

What will you do this week that will require you to be more courageous with your faith?

Pray for one another to be courageous in your witness of Christ.

Clarify:

Does anyone need clarity on something? Are there any big God questions you are wrestling with?

Celebrate:

Celebrate life's successes and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God.

KEY TAKEAWAYS