

OMNIGROUP LESSON NOTES

Lord of the Harvest Part 1

Activating Our Purpose Series

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WELCOME

PRAYER

SHARE

Read: Matthew 9:1-8 (ESV)

And getting into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city. ² And behold, some people brought to him a paralytic, lying on a bed. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven.” ³ And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, “This man is blaspheming.” ⁴ But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, “Why do you think evil in your hearts? ⁵ For which is easier, to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Rise and walk’? ⁶ But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins”—he then said to the paralytic—“Rise, pick up your bed and go home.” ⁷ And he rose and went home. ⁸ When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

Discussion

- Why do you think Jesus first forgave the paralyzed man's sins before physically healing him?
- How did the teachers of the law react to Jesus' words? Why did they react this way?
- How did Jesus demonstrate His authority to forgive sins?
- Discuss the concept of Jesus' authority to forgive sins. What does that mean for us today?

- How does the faith of the paralyzed man (and those who brought him) apply to our lives today?
- What are some ways we can demonstrate our faith in Jesus' authority?

Conclusion Renewing our minds demands an unwavering focus on Jesus. It involves expanding our wisdom and knowledge in Him, protecting ourselves from deceitful philosophies, grounding our lives in Him, and wholeheartedly embracing the profound truths of our faith.

PRAYER REQUESTS / PRAISE REPORTS

CARE: Follow-up during the week