

Week 5 It's Not All About You

Sermon Notes

Mark 2:1-12

And again, He entered Capernaum after *some* days, and it was heard that He was in the house. Immediately many gathered together, so that there was no longer room to receive *them*, not even near the door. And He preached the word to them. Then they came to Him, bringing a paralytic who was carried by four *men*. And when they could not come near Him because of the crowd, they uncovered the roof where He was. So, when they had broken through, they let down the bed on which the paralytic was lying. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you." And some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, "Why does this *Man* speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" But immediately, when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they reasoned thus within themselves, He said to them, "Why do you reason about these things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, *'Your* sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise, take up your bed and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins"—He said to the paralytic, "I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw *anything* like this!"

The People in this story are each impacted by faith

- The paralyzed man needs restricted him from getting to Jesus
- The 4 friends faith to get their friend to Jesus
- The Scribes listening to Jesus doubt to amazement

Faith isn't All about you

- We should leverage our faith for the salvation of others
- We should leverage our faith for the healing of others

Faith of the friends

- Faith that carry's other's burdens
- Faith that finds a way
- Faith that inspires

Questions to Consider

Which of the people in the story describe you? The paralyzed man restricted from Jesus, the scribes who question Jesus' ability, or the friends who have faith that finds a way?

Have you made your faith all about you?

How would the people around you see Jesus differently if you had an inspiring faith that found a way?

How can you leverage your faith for the salvation and healing of others?

The Man who was lowered through the roof had friends who were not going to let him stay away from Jesus. Who are the people in your life who you need to get to Jesus?

Prayer Requests

Take prayer requests and pray for one another.