



THE GOSPEL OF  
**MARK**  
MIGHTY SAVIOR – SUFFERING SERVANT

**How Do I Know Jesus Can Forgive My Sin?**

**September 17, 2023**

**Mark 2:1-12**

**Questions for Study and Group Discussion**

*\*\* Before you begin, please read Mark 2:1-12*

1. Describe a recent time when you had to overcome an obstacle to arrive at a goal. What was the goal? What was the obstacle? How did it turn out?
2. In Mark 2:3-4, what is the goal of the men (the paralytic man and his friends)? What obstacle did they hit?
3. How did these men respond to the obstacle they faced? What stands out to you about this?
4. What motivated these men to overcome the obstacle / inconvenience of getting to Jesus?
5. Look closely at the passage and make a list of the different ways people respond to Jesus throughout Mark 2:1-12.
6. Do any of these responses match the way you respond to Jesus? Explain.
7. In this story we learn that Jesus doesn't only have the power to heal physically, He has the power to heal spiritually (forgiveness). Why do we need forgiveness so desperately? (Hint: see Rom 3:23; Rom 6:23.)
8. How does what you learn about Jesus in this passage motivate you to approach him?
9. What obstacles or inconveniences do you face in "getting to Jesus"?
10. How can the identity of Jesus motivate you to overcome these obstacles?
11. What is your biggest take-away from what you've discussed so far? Why?
12. What practical step will you take to apply what you've seen in God's Word?
13. **Challenge:** Identify one way this passage is challenging or encouraging you. Who can you tell about what you're learning this coming week?
14. **Challenge:** Memorize 1 John 1:9 — If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.