

Sermon Title: When You Are Too Apathetic To Share The Gospel

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Relevant Question: Are You Too Apathetic To Share The Gospel?

Main Point: Jesus doesn't give up on people, nor should we.

Mark 2:1–5 (CSB)

¹When he entered Capernaum again after some days, it was reported that he was at home.

²So many people gathered together that there was no more room, not even in the doorway, and he was speaking the word to them.

³They came to him bringing a paralytic, carried by four of them.

⁴Since they were not able to bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and after digging through it, they lowered the mat on which the paralytic was lying.

⁵Seeing their faith, Jesus told the paralytic, “Son, your sins are forgiven.”

Mark 2:6–7 (CSB)

⁶But some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts:

⁷“Why does he speak like this? He’s blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?”

Matthew 23:23 (CSB)

²³“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! You pay a tenth of mint, dill, and cumin, and yet you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy, and faithfulness. These things should have been done without neglecting the others.

Are we too apathetic to share the Gospel?

Apathy - a lack of feeling, interest, or concern for others.

Are You Apathetic?

How often do you pray for people who aren't Christians?

How often do you go out of your way to help someone meet with Jesus?

You care about your relationship with Jesus, but do you care about others' relationship with Jesus?

When you see someone sin are you moved with anger, apathetic, or filled with concern?

Mark 2:8–12 (CSB)

⁸Right away Jesus perceived in his spirit that they were thinking like this within themselves and said to them, “Why are you thinking these things in your hearts?

⁹Which is easier: to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up, take your mat, and walk’?

¹⁰But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins” —he told the paralytic—

¹¹“I tell you: get up, take your mat, and go home.”

¹²Immediately he got up, took the mat, and went out in front of everyone. As a result, they were all astounded and gave glory to God, saying, “We have never seen anything like this!”

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How To Increase Your Concern For Others To Meet Jesus

1. Pray That Your Heart Will Be Compassionate for People
2. Pray for Someone Who Needs Jesus As Their Savior
3. Sit with Them
4. Bless Them
5. Share with Them How Jesus Rescued You
6. Invite Them To Follow Jesus