

The Chosen

Indescribable Compassion

Mark 2:1-12 NIV

A few days later, when Jesus again entered Capernaum, the people heard that he had come home. They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them.

³Some men came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. Since they could not get him to Jesus because of the crowd, they made an opening in the roof above Jesus by digging through it and then lowered the mat the man was lying on.

⁵When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, “Son, your sins are forgiven.” Now some teachers of the law were sitting there, thinking to themselves, “Why does this fellow talk like that? He’s blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?”

⁸Immediately Jesus knew in his spirit that this was what they were thinking in their hearts, and he said to them, “Why are you thinking these things? Which is easier: to say to this paralyzed man, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up, take your mat and walk’?”

¹⁰But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.” So he said to the man, “I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home.” He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all.

*This amazed everyone and they
praised God, saying, “We have never
seen anything like this!”*

“53 million Americans
(almost 20% of the population)
have a disability”
(Segal, 2020)

*“Rabbi, who sinned,
this man or his parents,
that he was born blind?”*

- John 9:2

“They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door...”

- Mark 2:2

*“Some men came,
bringing to him a paralyzed man,
carried by four of them.”*

- Mark 2:3

*“They made an opening in the
roof above Jesus by
DIGGING through it...”*

- Mark 2:4



“When Jesus saw their faith...”

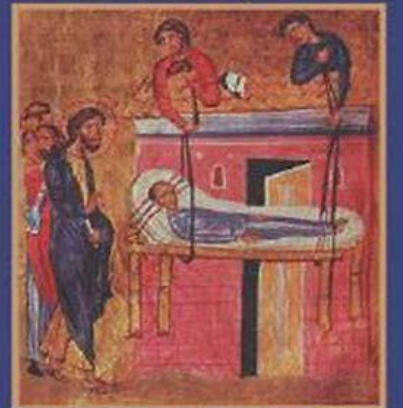
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“Son...implies not only a relationship where one is responsible for the other, but also a relationship of belonging...”

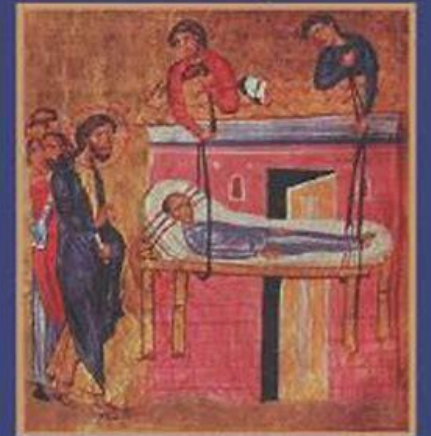
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“...which was often absent from the lives of persons with disability.”

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“Son, your sins are forgiven.”
- Mark 2:5

*“Get up, take your mat
and go home.”*

- Mark 2:11