

Message Notes: Week 1 / *February 6, 2022*

LIMITLESS SPREADS

Mark 2:1-12

And when he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. **2** And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door. And he was preaching the word to them. **3** And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. **4** And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay. **5** And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven." **6** Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, **7** "Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" **8** And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question these things in your hearts? **9** Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, take up your bed and walk'? **10** But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the paralytic— **11** "I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home." **12** And he rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

PERSONAL STUDY

What hurdles did the friends of the paralytic man face in helping him? Rate their faith on a scale of 1-10 and explain your answer.

Read Mark 2:10. Throughout the book of Mark, only Jesus calls Himself the "Son of Man." Read through each passage where He claims this title and record what each one teaches you about Jesus:

- Mark 2:23-24 | Jesus is_____
- Mark 8:31 | Jesus is_____
- Mark 9:9-12, 31 | Jesus is_____
- Mark 10:33, 45 | Jesus is_____
- Mark 14:21, 41 | Jesus is_____

What's the first thing that Jesus said to the paralytic man? What does that teach us about humanity's deepest problem?

The paralytic man's friends displayed a limitless faith by overcoming whatever it took to get him face-to-face with Jesus. Whose limitless faith in Christ has impacted and inspired you the most? Do you believe God has called you to impact and inspire with your personal growth towards a limitless faith?

How is God calling you to a limitless faith this week?

What limitless prayer is God calling you to pray this week?

GROWTH GROUP



SHARE: GET TALKING

In 90 seconds, share the funniest story you have that ends with a hole in a wall, window, or roof.

STUDY: GO DEEPER

1. What challenged you most from the message or personal study this week?
2. In what multiple ways does Jesus prove His divinity in Mark 2:1-12?
3. Which characteristic of a 'faith-spreader' best describes you? Explain your answer.

SUPPORT: GROW TOGETHER

1. Which characteristic of a 'faith-spreader' do you need to grow in? Explain your answer.
2. How is God calling you to a limitless faith this week?
3. What is your limitless prayer this week?

RENEW YOUR MIND: MEMORY VERSE

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