

HEALING MIRACLES

“THE FAITH OF OTHERS (THE ROOF TOP PARALYTIC)”

Mark 2:1-12

Lesson #5

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REVIEW:

- A. His Home Mark 2:1-4
- 1) Did Jesus have a home?
 - 2) This may not have started out as a healing meeting but became one or was intended to be.
 - 3) Paralyzed (paralytic) or “sick of the palsy” as some translations read literally means...
- B. Their Faith. Mark 2:5-7
- 1) The faith of the friends caught Jesus’ attention.
 - 2) When He saw THEIR faith... Not the paralyzed man’s faith, which is never mentioned.
 - 3) How did Jesus see their faith?
 - 4) Christians often do things because **OF FAITH**, but they don’t actually do them **IN FAITH**.
 - 5) It was THEIR faith that moved Jesus, so I need to understand what their faith was..
 - 6) So their faith was...
 - a) Understanding who Jesus was
 - b) What He wanted to do
 - c) And what He valued more
 - 7) We saw Jesus meet the lame man at Bethesda afterwards to exhort him to change how he lived.

- 8) This one is a time Jesus confronted the sin issue before the power of God came to heal.
- 9) Their friendships bring them **INTO DOUBT**
- 10) Questioning God in your heart instead of seeking His word or talking to Him about it is a sure sign of the doubting condition.
- 11) Luke 5:17 describes the beginning of this meeting as having a presence but did it last?
- 12) Was this man healed by power or authority?
- 13) The others attending rejected Jesus authority and closed the door to the healing available to them.

- C. Evil Thoughts Mark 2:8-12
- 1) Some Christians speak words without any substance or real faith behind them.
 - 2) Go to your house - be leaving the meeting and go to your home.
 - 3) Maybe he wanted to be in the meeting, or stay behind and help fix the roof, but he submitted.
 - 4) Jesus wanted him out of the house for some reason and, without needing a full explanation, obeyed.

APPLICATION: How can others around me help?

God’s power over the **INVISIBLE** is never truly demonstrated to the world until they see God’s power over what is **VISIBLE**.

You need people who can walk in this.

God doesn’t just **REJECT** ... He instructs **FIRST** !