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M A R K 2 : 1 - 1 2

Warm up question:

- What is the kindest thing a friend has done for you? What did it mean for you?

Read Mark 2:1-12

1. What happened last time Jesus was in Capernaum? (See Mark 1:21-24)
2. Why had so many people come to see Jesus?
3. What was Jesus doing in the house? What do you think he was telling them?
4. What must have been going through the minds/hearts of the 4 friends to make them do what they did?
5. What do you think it means when it says that “Jesus saw their faith”?
6. What might have been going through the paralysed man’s mind in verse 5 when Jesus said “Son, your sins are forgiven” rather than “Be Healed. Get up and walk”
7. Why did the teachers of the law have a problem with Jesus?
8. What does it mean to blaspheme? Did Jesus blaspheme? Why/Why not?
9. How did Jesus know what they were thinking? (What does Psalm 139 say about this?)
10. Which one is the bigger miracle – the forgiveness of sins or the healing from paralysis? Why?
11. What does Jesus want the people to know in verse 10?
12. How do the people respond in verse 12?
13. When was the last time that you were truly amazed by God and whole-heartedly praised him?
14. What does all of this tell us about God’s kingdom?

Rubber hits the road:

- Invite one friend to come to church next week.
(It can be someone who used to come to church or someone who has never been before.)
- Spend time this week thinking on the greatness of God. Allow those thoughts to lead you into worship.

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we thank you again that your kingdom has come, and we look forward with such expectation to that day when it will come in its absolute fullness. Holy Spirit, we ask that you would help us to see the blind spots we have to our sin and help us to recognise our need for forgiveness. But Lord, we also ask that you would help us to grasp the truth of you having paid the price for our sin. Help us never to forget this truth. Lord God there is no one like and we worship you with all that we have. Amen.

