

“The Divine Healing of a Paralytic”

(Sunday Morning March 20th, 2022)

Passage: Mark 2:1-12

John 9:5 "(Jesus Said) *While I am in the world, I am the Light of the world*" (Emphasis Added)

John 9:6-7 “6 *When He had said this, He spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and applied the clay to his eyes, 7 and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which is translated, Sent). So he went away and washed, and came back seeing*”

John 11:25 “*Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life;..."*”

John 11:43-44 “43 *When He had said these things, He cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth."*
44 *The man who had died came forth, bound hand and foot with wrappings,..."*”

This was the primary purpose of Jesus’ miracles; Jesus performed miracles in order to prove that He came from God and that He is D_____.

John 3:2 “*Rabbi, we know that You have come from God as a teacher; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him.*”

John 8:58 “(Jesus Said)... *'Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born, I am.'*” (Emphasis Added)

John 8:59 “*Therefore they picked up stones to throw at Him, but Jesus hid Himself and went out of the temple.*”

I. The P_____ That H_____ This Man

1) He Had a S_____ Condition

Acts 3:1-10 (Reference)

John 4:35 (Reference)

The harvest of souls is there; it is always there; we just need to f_____ it and to begin reaping it.

2) He Had a S_____ Crowd

Mark 1:45 “*...he went out and began to proclaim it freely and to spread the news around, to such an extent that Jesus could no longer publicly enter a city, but stayed out in unpopulated areas; and they were coming to Him from everywhere*”

Even if this man could have gotten up, he still could not have gotten in, because these people cared more about s_____ than they did about s_____.

3) He Had S_____ Critics

Luke 5:17 “*...the Pharisees and teachers of the law from every village of Galilee and Judea and Jerusalem*”

These men were so hung up on trying to criticize Jesus and trying to entrap Jesus that they totally missed the m_____.

II. The P_____ Who H_____ This Man

1) He Had W_____ Friends

The Bible clearly teaches that Jesus is not a _____ available to e _____ at a _____ times with e _____ power.

John 3:8 "The wind (of the Spirit) blows where it wishes..."

2) He Had W_____ Friends

Matt 11:12 "From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven has been forcefully advancing, and forceful men lay hold of it" (NIV)

Dr. Kent Hughes made this insightful statement; he said,

"When those four men tore a hole through that roof, they took the Kingdom of God with determined force, such graced violence is the k _____ for the church making the impact it should."

3) He Had W_____ Friends

Of course, they had to vandalize someone's property in order to do this; and yet, there is not one word of r _____ from Jesus for their actions.

III. The P_____ Who H_____ This Man

1) He Revealed a P_____

Acts 13:38 "Therefore let it be known to you, brethren, that through Him forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you"

Eph 1:7 "In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace"

The greatest benefit that Christianity has to offer the world is not love, or morality, or social action, or a sense of personal peace, or a sense of purpose; it is the f _____ of s _____.

2) He Revealed a P_____

The Scribes and Pharisees had a teaching at that time that went like this: they said that no one could be healed unless they were first forgiven of their sins, and that is what c _____ this as a d _____ miracle.

Heb 9:22 "...without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness"

Heb 10:4 "For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins"

