

Rise, Walk! - Mark 2:1-12
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A Christian worship service

Singing, praying, the Bible, the Lord's Supper

A story about Jesus

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paralytic = a paralyzed man; *scribe* = an expert in Jewish religious law

Summary

All of us have a sickness of the soul that only Jesus can heal. His treatment for the soul-sickness of sin reveals who he is and why he himself is everything we need.

Jesus reveals the human heart

"...he said to the paralytic, 'Son, your sins are forgiven.'" (Mark 2:5)

Sins and sin

Jesus reveals his own heart

"...Jesus saw their faith..." (Mark 2:5)

Jesus reveals his mission

"Why do you question these things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, take up your bed and walk?'"

(Mark 2:8-9)

Jesus reveals God's true answer to our true problem

How are we like the paralytic?

"I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst."
(John 6:35)

"If any man is thirsty, let him come to me and drink." (John 7:37)

"Come to men, all who labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest."
(Matthew 11:28)