

PERSONAL FAVES

BIBLE STORIES THAT SHAPED MY FAITH

JESUS HEALS THE PARALYTIC

Mark 2:1-12 (ESV)

And when he returned to
Capernaum after some days, it
was reported that he was at home.

MARK 2:1 (ESV)

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.

MARK 2:2 (ESV)

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.

MARK 2:4 (ESV)

And they came, bringing to him a
paralytic carried by four men.

MARK 2:3 (ESV)

And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven."

MARK 2:5 (ESV)

Now some of the scribes were
sitting there, questioning in their
hearts,

MARK 2:6 (ESV)

"Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?"

MARK 2:7 (ESV)

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?"

MARK 2:8 (ESV)

But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the paralytic—

MARK 2:10 (ESV)

**"I say to you, rise, pick up your bed,
and go home."**

MARK 2:11 (ESV)

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!"

MARK 2:12 (ESV)

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1. People look at what's happening outside, but Jesus measures what's going on within...

But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart."

1 SAMUEL 16:7 (ESV)

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1. People look at what's happening outside, but Jesus measures what's going on within...

- Jesus saw the faith of some and the frustration of others...
- Don't get distracted by or devoted to what's on the outside at the expense of what exists within..

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2. Don't sacrifice what is forever on the altar of the here and now...

- Jesus does care about our suffering, but Jesus died for our salvation...

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MARK 2:11 (ESV)

"Jesus hung on a cross so that his
dearly beloved would never have to
suffer hell, not so that they
wouldn't suffer here on earth."

- JONI EARECKSON TADA

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3. The worship of God, for the glory of God, is **ALWAYS** the right response to the miracle work of God...

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