

FIRST THINGS FIRST





Grab A Corner

Mark 2.1-12

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

² 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.

³ And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men.

⁴ 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. ⁵ And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “Son, your sins are forgiven.”

⁶ Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, ⁷ “Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?”
⁸ 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?”

9 Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Rise, take up your bed and walk’?

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

¹¹ “I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home.”

¹² 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 2.1-12

A photograph of a church building with a prominent steeple and classical columns. The image is partially covered by a semi-transparent blue overlay on the left side. The text is centered over the image.

**He Came To Christ
Because of His
Friends.**

**"...None is righteous, no, not one;
11 no one understands; no one
seeks for God.12 All have turned
aside; together they have become
worthless; no one does good, not
even one."**

Romans 3.10-12

17"...the way of peace they have not known." 18 "There is no fear of God before their eyes."

Romans 3.17-18

A photograph of a church building with a prominent steeple and a portico supported by white columns. The building is set against a blue sky with white clouds. A large, semi-transparent blue overlay covers the left side of the image, and the text is written in white on this overlay.

**His Friends Had To
Make Extreme Effort.**

A photograph of a church building with a prominent steeple and a portico supported by white columns. The church is set against a blue sky with white clouds. A large, semi-transparent blue overlay covers the left side and bottom of the image, creating a gradient effect. The text "Jesus Knew His Greatest Needs." is written in white, bold, sans-serif font across the center of the image, partially overlapping the church and the blue overlay.

**Jesus Knew His
Greatest Needs.**

A photograph of a church building with a prominent steeple and classical columns. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue gradient. Centered on the image is the text "Many Lives Were Changed By What They Witnessed." in a large, white, bold, sans-serif font.

**Many Lives Were
Changed By
What They
Witnessed.**

he...went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, “We never saw anything like this!”

Mark 2.12

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

Matthew 28.19-20