



WEEKEND RESOURCES | MAY 07, 2023

Week Four | Tear the Roof Off

USE THESE QUESTIONS AND RESOURCES TO HELP YOU PROCESS THE MESSAGE IN YOUR PERSONAL STUDY TIME OR WITH YOUR GROUP.

Message Recap: How should you respond when others face bottom-of-the-ninth moments? What do you say in the face of people's loss and pain? What can you do to try to ease their suffering? How can you offer hope? It's not about saying something or doing something. It's about being someone.

» Main Points

- Today we can't bring our friends to Jesus, so we have to be the body of Christ to our friends.
- Be the body to anybody that needs somebody.

» Getting Started

- What are some reasons that other people's bottom-of-the-ninth moments make us uncomfortable?

» Observation

- Read and reflect on [Mark 2:1-12; 1 Corinthians 12:27](#)
- What are your initial reactions to these passages? What do you find challenging? Are you encouraged by any of these verses? Why?

reachout

- Find an action that demonstrates you are there for your neighbors, co-workers, or friends, no matter what they are going through. Give them your email or cell number, ask how they are doing, and pay attention to life changes. Find a way to show you care.

growdeep

- How do you tend to respond to other people's messes? Would you change that tendency if you could? Why or why not?
- Talk about a time when someone faced loss or pain, and you didn't know what to say or do. How did you eventually respond? Is there anything you would do differently?
- Reread Mark 2:1-12. What stands out about Jesus' interactions with the paralyzed man, his friends, or the religious leaders? In what ways does this story challenge your assumptions about faith and having a relationship with God?
- "Faith is best expressed through actions." Do you agree with this statement? Why or why not?

partner with families

- As a family, think about the circles of influence God has placed you in (school, sports, neighborhood, etc.). Try to think of one person (or family) you and your family can show up for. Think of a way to support them, like making a meal or cookies or helping with yard work. Take the opportunity to encourage them with the hope you have in Jesus!

» Next Steps and Prayer

- Think of someone who is currently facing a bottom-of-the-ninth moment. What can you do this week to be the body of Christ for that person?
- Close by praying that God would show you how you can show up in someone else's bottom-of-the-ninth in real and tangible ways this week.