THE GOSPEL OF MARK

THE IMPACT OF THE MASTER TEACHER

FOLLOWING JESUS



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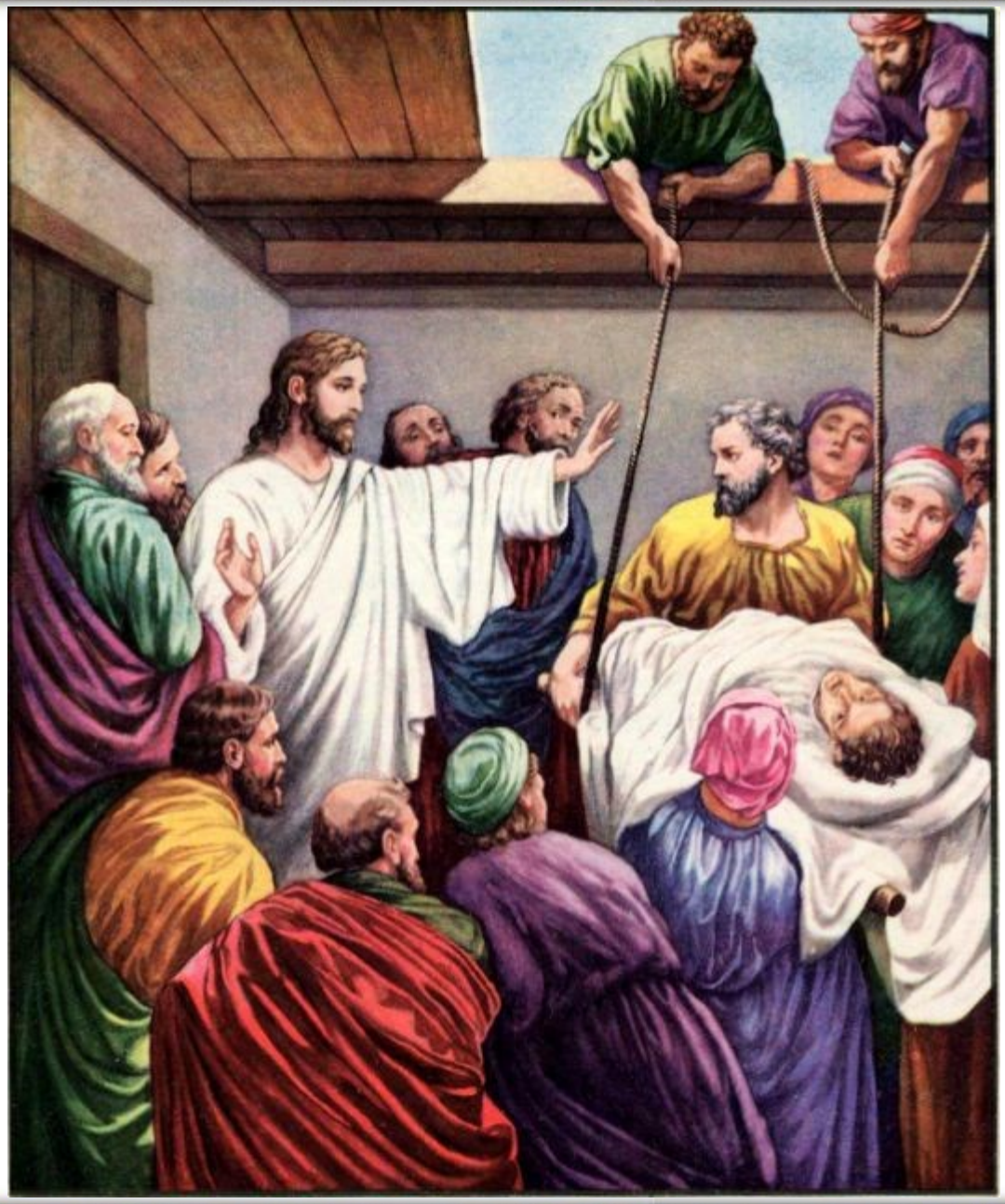

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Mark 2:1 And when He had come back to Capernaum several days afterward , it was heard that He was at home . 2 And many were gathered together , so that there was no longer room , even near the door ; and He was speaking the word to them. 3 And they came , bringing to Him a paralytic , carried by four men . 4 And being unable to get to Him because of the crowd , they removed the roof above Him; and when they had dug an opening, they let down the pallet on which the paralytic was lying . 5 And Jesus seeing their faith said to the paralytic , "My son , your sins are forgiven ." 6 But there were some of the scribes sitting there and reasoning in their hearts , 7 "Why does this man speak that way ? He is blaspheming ; who can forgive sins but God alone ?" 8 And immediately Jesus , aware in His spirit that they were reasoning that way within themselves , said to them, "Why are you reasoning about these things in your hearts ? 9 "Which is easier , to say to the paralytic , 'Your sins are forgiven '; or to say , 'Arise , and take up your pallet and walk '? 10 "But in order 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 , take up your pallet and go home ." 12 And he rose and immediately took up the pallet and went out in the sight of all ; so that they were all amazed and were glorifying God , saying , "We have never seen anything like this.”

Mark 2:1-12 Overview

- ❑ Jesus' Messianic/Kingdom *authority*
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- ❑ *Faith* that is worthy of the Kingdom of God
- ❑ Impact of the Master Teacher

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Jesus' Messianic/Kingdom Authority

- ❑ Jesus *taught* with authority
- ❑ Jesus has authority over the *evil spirit world*
- ❑ **Jesus has authority over disease**
- ❑ **Jesus has authority to forgive sins**
- ❑ Jesus has authority over the Sabbath, Temple
- ❑ Jesus has authority over death

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Jesus' Authority demonstrated by His miracles

- ❑ Nature miracles
- ❑ Exorcisms (cf. Matt. 12:28)
- ❑ **Healings**
- ❑ Raising the dead

Disease in NT times

- Disease brought social alienation
- Disease brought economic deprivation
- Disease brought religious ostracization
- Sin and Disease were often viewed as cause and effect (cf. John 9:2)
- Disease was viewed as a binding by Satan (cf. Luke 13:16)

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Jesus' authority to heal

- Jesus' healings were divine appointments (cf. Luke 13:32)
- Jesus' healings were prophesied credentials of the Messiah (cf. Matt. 11:3-5; Mark 6:52)
- Miraculous healings were the dawning of the Kingdom of God (cf. Luke 10:9)

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Jesus' authority to forgive sins

- ❑ Jesus conquered impurity rather than running from it
- ❑ Healing the outside was symptomatic of healing on the inside
- ❑ Forgiveness of sins is man's greatest need (Luke 10:20)

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Faith that is worthy of the Kingdom of God

- ❑ Owning one's need
- ❑ Bringing others to Christ
- ❑ Undeterred by obstacles

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Mark 2:1-12 IMPACT

- ❑ Jesus *impacted* the paralytic and his friends with a passion to pursue
- ❑ Jesus *impacted* the scribes to indignation
- ❑ Jesus *impacted* the crowd to amazement

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Mark 2:1-12 IMPACT on ME

- ❑ Who is on the throne of my heart?
- ❑ Who is the Supplier of my needs?
- ❑ How am I engaged in the Kingdom of God?

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