

# Day 4 – What is the Worst Sickness of All?

## Mark 2:1-12

And again He entered Capernaum after some days, and it was heard that He was in the house. <sup>2</sup> Immediately many gathered together, so that there was no longer room to receive them, not even near the door. And He preached the word to them. <sup>3</sup> Then they came to Him, bringing a paralytic who was carried by four men. <sup>4</sup> And when they could not come near Him because of the crowd, they uncovered the roof where He was. So when they had broken through, they let down the bed on which the paralytic was lying. <sup>5</sup> When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you." <sup>6</sup> And some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, <sup>7</sup> "Why does this Man speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" <sup>8</sup> But immediately, when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they reasoned thus within themselves, He said to them, "Why do you reason about these things in your hearts? <sup>9</sup> "Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise, take up your bed and walk'? <sup>10</sup> "But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins"-- He said to the paralytic, <sup>11</sup> "I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." <sup>12</sup> Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"



## Discussion Questions

What is the time when you have been the sickest? Yet, what is your worst sickness?

Does paralysis get better by itself? Does sin?

Even paralysis does not affect you after death, but what effect does sin have after death?

Which was easier for Jesus to say to the man? “Get up and walk?” or “Your sins are forgiven?” Why?

Which was easier for Jesus to do? Heal the man’s paralysis or forgive his sins? Why?

Who is the only One who has the power to perform miracles, like healing someone’s sickness?

Who is the only One who has power to heal our greatest sickness of sin? How did He do that?

Why are all of Jesus’ miracles recorded in Scripture for us? Read John 20:30-31.

## Day 4 Craft: Bouquet for Someone Special



### Materials:

- Cardboard/Cereal box
- Markers
- *Hole punch, nail, screwdriver, or scissors*
- Flowers and leaves (real or fake)

1. Cut out about 8.5x11 size piece of cardboard (cereal box works best)
2. Use a marker to draw out a vase
3. Decorate vase with markers or stickers
4. Poke about a dozen or so holes above the vase in an irregular fashion (not clustered together)

5. Find flowers and leaves to fill in the holes. **Make sure you have an adult's permission to pick flowers and leaves**

You can draw other images, such as a cross, to put flowers and leaves into.

### Another idea

Ask parents to press flowers to preserve them longer.

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