

# Jesus Forgives a Paralyzed Man Luke 5:17-26



Four friends of a paralyzed man decide to get Jesus' help. Unable to get through the crowds, the four friends lower their paralyzed friend through the roof on his mat. Jesus offers forgiveness first and then healing. <u>Jesus forgives us</u>, and that's the best kind of healing.

#### **Church Announcements**

- During the month of January Sunday School will be collecting new or gently used books for kids in need in Tulsa.
- Reconnect night is January 26 at 4:30 @ CTR
- Father Daughter Dance is February 9
- Winter VBS is February 15-17

"Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the man, 'Young man, your sins are forgiven' " (Luke 5:20).

### Forgive and Forget

Do this experiment to show God's forgiveness.

- Give everyone a few squares of toilet paper and a washable marker.
- Have everyone write or draw something on the toilet paper.
- Fill a cup with warm water.
- Put everyone's toilet paper in the cup.
- After at least 30 seconds, take the toilet paper out of the cup. Spread it out if you can. If not, you can still see that the words are totally gone.
- Flush the toilet paper as you thank Jesus for forgiving all your sins.

#### Through the Week

Here's an activity you can do throughout the week.

- Whenever you do laundry, put a "forgiveness" note in the clean laundry piles for your kids. Write something about Jesus' forgiveness washing us clean like the clothes.
- Encourage kids to leave notes in the laundry area, by the dishwasher, or by other cleaning supplies.

## **Family Discussion**

- Tell about a time someone forgave you.
- Tell about a time you felt guilty for a while.
- How do you feel knowing that Jesus will always forgive you?