



**Lesson Titles:**  
**Healing for the Whole Person**  
(Faith Pathway Bible Studies)  
**Called to Heal**  
(Townsend Press Sunday School  
Commentary)

## LESSON 7 • January 17, 2021

### Winter 2020-2021 Theme:

The Call of God in the New Testament

**Unit II:** Jesus and Calls in His Ministry

**Devotional Period:** Psalm 103:1-14

**Background Scripture:** Mark 2:1-12

**Print Passage:** Mark 2:1-12

### Key Verse(s):

Whether is it easier to say to the sick of the palsy, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and take up thy bed, and walk? (Mark 2:9, KJV)

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“Which is easier: to say to this paralyzed man, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up, take your mat and walk?’” (Mark 2:9, NIV)

### Questions to Consider:

1. What actions did the men take to get their friend who was paralyzed to \_\_\_\_\_?
2. How did Jesus respond to the \_\_\_\_\_ that was demonstrated by the friends of the paralyzed man?

### Lesson Aims:

As a result of experiencing this lesson, you should be able to do these things:

- Study Mark’s account of Jesus’ healing the man who was paralyzed.
- Appreciate how one’s physical, emotional, social, and spiritual needs are intertwined.
- Pray for God’s healing grace to touch you at your particular point of need.

### Lesson Context:

- Jesus was popular among the people and drew large crowds. He was healing the sick and casting out demons.
- This week’s lesson features Jesus’ ministering in a private home where many gathered to hear Him preach.
- Jesus heals a man, who could not walk, forgives him and makes him whole and complete in every way.

### Lesson Outlines/Key Points:

- I. A \_\_\_\_\_ Plea (Mark 2:1-4)

Key Point 1: The news of Jesus’ healings circulated throughout Capernaum.

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Key Point 2: Four men brought a paralyzed man to Jesus. They were desperate to get him to Jesus in spite of the size of the crowd.

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II. A \_\_\_\_\_ Plea (Mark 2:5-8)

Key Point 1: Jesus was moved by the faith, determination, and persistence of the paralyzed man's friends.

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Key Point 2: The Jewish leaders accused Jesus' words of forgiveness to be blasphemy in their minds.

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III. A \_\_\_\_\_ Plea (Mark 2:9-12)

Key Point 1: Jesus demonstrated before the people that He was more than a healer. He was more than a great teacher. He was more than they expected or imagined Him to be. He was the Son of God.

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Key Point 2: Jesus not only forgives the paralyzed man's sin but also heals him physically.

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**Lesson Summary:**

- Jesus came to give full and complete healing to man both spiritually and physically.
- It is important for us to assist those who need God's touch by doing what we can to help guide them to Jesus.

**What Do You Think?**

(These questions are found in this week's Faith Pathway student book.)

How far have you ever gone to help a friend in crisis?

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When you are present for worship at church, what is on your mind? How can you focus your thoughts strictly on worship and the Word?

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Can you recall and share with the class a personal experience of healing—mental, social, emotional, physical, or spiritual? Testify so that others can praise God for what He has done for you.

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**As a result of this lesson, I will do the following:**

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