

Lent: Jesus Way Maker Miracle Worker
“Jesus Power Over Sickness”
Mark 2:1-12
March 16, 2025

Sermon Points:

1. Jesus and the paralytic man.

- When Jesus saw the paralytic man’s friends on the roof, he saw their faith and told the paralytic “Son, your sins are forgiven” (Mark 2:5).
- The religious leaders accused Jesus of blasphemy. Jesus then posed the question “Is it easier to say, “Your sins are forgiven” or “Stand up and take your mat and walk?” (Mark 2:9).
- Jesus then told the paralytic to stand up, carry his mat, and walk home. The paralytic then stood up to everyone’s amazement and walked home.
- The man had received both spiritual and physical healing.
- God “does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.” (Psalm 103:8, 10).

2. Do we trust Jesus with our spiritual and physical healing?

- I can do all this through him who gives me strength (Philippians 4:13),
- Why not ask the God of the impossible to do the impossible? (Ephesians 3:20)
- Jesus is inviting us to ask him!
- Trust in God’s sovereignty, goodness, perspective, and wisdom.

3. Do we do whatever it takes to bring our loved ones to Jesus?

- Jesus will honor our faith just as he did with the paralytic’s friends.
- Continue to point your loved ones to Jesus. Pray for them and with them.

4. Do we surround ourselves in community with others? Who can carry us when we’re too weak to do what we need to? Or too weak to even know what to do?

- We all need help through hardships and struggles. Allow yourself to be surrounded by community during your times of need.
- “A cord of three strands is not quickly broken” (Ecclesiastes 4:9-12).

