

**“Healing a Paralyzed Man or Forgiving his Sins?”**  
**Luke 5:17-26, Mark 2:1-12, Matthew 9:1-8**

I. The **Galilean Ministry** of Jesus Continued

The purpose of this miracle was to present Jesus' claim of \_\_\_\_\_ to the religious leaders of the Jewish nation.

**A. The Setting of this Encounter (Luke 5:17, Mark 2:1-2, Matthew 9:1)**

1. Jesus had returned to the city of \_\_\_\_\_, His current home, by crossing the Sea of \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Luke mentions that \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ from every village of Galilee and Judea and from \_\_\_\_\_ came to \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus teach the Word of God.

\* Why did these religious leaders come?

**B. The Forgiving of the Paralytic's Sins (Luke 5:18-20, Mark 2:3-5, Matthew 9:2)**

1. Four men sought to bring a \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus to be \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Because of the crowd, the men \_\_\_\_\_ the roof in order \_\_\_\_\_ the roof to \_\_\_\_\_ the man into their midst.
3. When Jesus saw their \_\_\_\_\_ He declared the man's \_\_\_\_\_.

• The Characteristics of God's forgiveness:

4. He chooses to show the teachers of the law that He has the \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_, and he proves it by \_\_\_\_\_ the man.
5. Jesus' declaration was an out-right claim to His \_\_\_\_\_.

6. The Pharisees thought within themselves that Jesus committed \_\_\_\_\_.

\*What is blasphemy?

\* Why did they think this?

### **C. The Healing of the Paralytic's Body (Luke 5:21-26, Mark 2:6-12, Matthew 9:3-8)**

1. To \_\_\_\_\_ that Jesus was \_\_\_\_\_, Jesus asks the Pharisees "Which is easier to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up and walk'?"

2. Jesus wanted them to \_\_\_\_\_ He had power on earth to \_\_\_\_\_.

\* "know"

\* Why did Christ refer to Himself as "The Son of Man"?

3. The now healed man \_\_\_\_\_ & went home \_\_\_\_\_ God as he went!

4. Apart from the spiritual leaders, the crowds were \_\_\_\_\_, they \_\_\_\_\_ God, and were filled with \_\_\_\_\_.

\* What does this mean to you?