

STUDY NOTES – DECEMBER 1, 2109

Sermon Series: "One Extraordinary Life"

Pastor Kris preaches from the English Standard Version (ESV).

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Scripture: Mark 2:1-12

Mark 2:1–12 (ESV) — 1 And when he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. 2 And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door. And he was preaching the word to them. 3 And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. 4 And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay. 5 And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven." 6 Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, 7 "Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" 8 And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question these things in your hearts? 9 Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, take up your bed and walk'? 10 But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the paralytic— 11 "I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home." 12 And he rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

1. Extraordinary in His compassion (V. 5)

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• Life lesson: Never think you are **beyond the love of Jesus**.

2. Extraordinary in His priority (V. 5)

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• Life lesson: Stay focused on Jesus' priority mission.

3. Extraordinary in His authority (Vs. 6-11)

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• Life lesson: Stand firm on the truth that <u>Jesus is God</u>.

S.A.L.T. Group questions

- ➤ Have someone read Sunday's passage: Mark 2:1-12
 - What truths stand out to you?
 - 1. Have you ever struggled with accepting God's love? Why or why not?
 - How can we know that we are not beyond the love of Jesus?
 - What happens when we base the knowledge of the love of Jesus on our feelings?
 - 2. What is Jesus' priority mission?
 - What Bible verses lead you to this conclusion?
 - Do you ever become sidetracked from His mission? If so, why does this happen?
 - 3. Why doesn't secular culture despise the truth that Jesus is God?
 - What evidence from the Bible can we give as Christians that Jesus is God?
 - How would you answer someone who said to you, "If the Father is God, and the Son is God, and the Holy Spirit is God, then doesn't this mean there are three gods?"

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