

# Lesson Thirteen:

## Jesus Heals a Paralyzed Man: Mark 2:1-12

Who is your favorite star?

How much trouble would you go through to see him/her?

### Lesson Questions:

1. How do you think the paralyzed man felt being lowered through a roof by his friends?
2. What do you think the friends had to do so that the paralyzed man could see Jesus?
3. Why do you think the scribes were so defensive about Jesus' claim of being able to forgive?
4. How do you think the bystanders felt about this scene? Do you think they found it merely a big distraction? Maybe they thought that it was unfair for the paralyzed man to get a good seat since t'hey had been waiting longer?
5. Can you think of other people who went out of their way to see Jesus?
  - Zacchaeus: Luke 19:1—4. (P.232)
  - Magi: Matthew 2:1—2 (P.3)
  - 5,000 people: Matthew 14:13—14 (P.41-42)

### Discussion Questions:

1. Does Jesus have power to heal us? Are we sick or paralyzed in some way? How do we daily need to be healed?
2. How can we go to be with Jesus in our lives today? How often do we go out of our way to hear His word?

The paralyzed man in this lesson knew that God could and would help him. In the next lesson we will learn of two women who were friends of Jesus and also came to Him with a need.

# Prayer

Dearest Jesus, Healer of the sick, Savior of the sinful, You are the only true Doctor. Our sins have us crippled and helpless. We need Your forgiveness so that we can be healthy. Heal us also, if it's Your will, from any earthly illness. Help us to come to You every day for daily forgiveness and healing. Just as the paralyzed man went out of his way to come to You, let us take time and effort to read and hear Your word. Let us also take time to pray---to leave the distractions of life behind to be with You in Your perfect healing presence.