

Mark 2V1-12
THE KING'S PARDON

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**Psalm 103v12:** ...as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

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V3-4: Some men came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. <sup>4</sup> Since they could not get him to Jesus because of the crowd, they made an opening in the roof above Jesus by digging through it and then lowered the mat the man was lying on.



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V6-7: Now some teachers of the law were sitting there, thinking to themselves, 7 "Why does this fellow talk like that? He's blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?"

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V8: Immediately Jesus knew in his spirit that this was what they were thinking in their hearts, and he said to them, "Why are you thinking these things?

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**Psalm 139v4:** Before a word is on my tongue, you LORD, know it completely.

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**V10-11:** But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." **So** he said to the man, <sup>11</sup> "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home."

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**V9:** Which is easier: to say to this paralyzed man, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up, take your mat and walk'?

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Do you believe that?

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**V12:** He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all. This <u>amazed</u> everyone and they <u>praised</u> God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

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Where do you fit in the story?