# MARK 2:1-17

**STUDY QUESTIONS**

*Trott Brook Adult Bible Study*
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1. The crowd that gathers around the house where Jesus is staying shows why He no longer enters towns openly (Mark 1: 45). Do you think most of the people are coming to hear Him preach, or for healing?

2. Cutting a hole in the roof of someone else's house takes a lot of nerve. Yet the Lord regards this as an act of faith and responds to it. Why?

3. Confronted with someone who clearly desires physical healing, the Lord instead forgives his sins. Why does he give the man something other than what he asked for?

4. Why do the scribes suspect Jesus of blasphemy?

***Parallels in other gospels***:

Paralyzed man:
Matt 9:2-7
Luke 5:18-25

Call of Matthew:
Matt 9:9
Luke 5:27-28

Banquet at Matthew's house:
Matt 9:10-13
Luke 5:29-32

5. What is the point of Jesus's question in verse 9?

6. In this passage Jesus offers forgiveness, then proves his authority to do so by means of a miracle. What later event does this foreshadow?

7. What lessons are there for us in the story of the paralyzed man?

8. What is the response of Levi (Matthew) to the Lord's call?

9. How do verses 15-17 apply to us?