**Jesus Is In The House**

(Mark 2:1-7 KJV)

*1 And again he entered into Capernaum after some days; and it was noised that he was in the house. 2 And straightway many were gathered together, insomuch that there was no room to receive them, no, not so much as about the door: and he preached the word unto them. 3 And they come unto him, bringing one sick of the palsy, which was borne of four. 4 And when they could not come nigh unto him for the press, they uncovered the roof where he was: and when they had broken it up, they let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay. 5 When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee. 6 But there were certain of the scribes sitting there, and reasoning in their hearts, 7 Why doth this man thus speak blasphemies? who can forgive sins but God only?*

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n the text Jesus is in a house in Capernaum—and the crowd was huge and gone wild filling the little residential house to overflowing. Jesus is popular in the city and the people flocked to hear him. In fact all kinds of people are in attendance—the courageous and curious, the deceiving and devout, the spectator and sacred, and the rude and religious sect of the Sanhedrin Council are all presence. Here they are all there, packed peacefully into a little house, and spilling out onto the street.  And Jesus did what Jesus has always done—He not only shows up but He shows out by preaching the Word God.

And then suddenly out of nowhere, four men arrived to the house. They were carrying their paralyzed friend on a pallet, a kind of flat board with handles. Now keep in mind that there were no motorized wheelchairs back then, no handicapped access, and no other way to push through the crowd to Jesus. So they decide to tear off the roof and lower the man while laying on his pallet down with a rope to the feet of Jesus. Now imagine being the owner of the house frantic about this situation—in which now he would have to file a vandalism and malicious mischief claim with his homeowners' insurance company. Although this is probably Peter’s mother-in-law house that still didn't matter. These men are tearing up the house to get to Jesus.

So, just imagine that you have invited Jesus to your home, and the next thing you know the whole town is in your living room and some strangers are tearing a hole through your roof. You paid good money for that roof, as matter of fact, it was the best investment that you have made in a long time, and here go some ignorant fools tearing up your roof just to get a seat closer to Jesus. What would you have done during Jesus' day concerning this matter? "I'll give you a minute to think about it for a moment! Some of us would have cursed somebody out, some of us would have called the authorities, some of us would have rolled up our selves or pinned up your hair. But in any case, "Jesus Is In This House!

1. **The Place Of The Curing:**

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Historically, Capernaum was a town located on the north edge of the Sea of Galilee. Capernaum was known as a village with some 1500 residents, who typically lived in small individual quarters that housed large families. These homes were only one story and had a flat roof, accessible by a staircase on the outside of the home. And because of the tight quarters, the roofs were used for work as well as sleep. They were thickening with brush, held together by mud, and wood beams or branches made the structural part of the roof. In fact Christ often gave Capernaum the honor of many spiritual privileges, but the people of Capernaum were not good stewards of their privileges, and so later Christ severely condemned the whole entire city.

(Matthew 11:23 KJV)

*And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day.*