

Sermon Discussion Questions



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MOUNTAIN
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"THE CHANGE THE KING BRINGS"

DATE: September 24, 2017

SPEAKER: Joe/Jared

SERIES: The Gospel of Mark

PASSAGE: Mark 2:1-12

Discuss

How does the King actually change us?

1. He preaches the truth. (vv. 1-2)
 - The people are clearly attracted to Jesus because he has been healing so many sick people (see Mark 1:32-34). But in Mark 1:38, 45, and here in chapter 2, Jesus preaches the good news. His ministry is certainly one of deeds, but also just as surely, one of words. How should we balance teaching/preaching with mercy ministry here at LMPC and in other ministries in which we engage?
2. He welcomes true faith. (vv. 3-5)
 - What does the fact that Jesus forgives the man's sins reveal about Jesus? What does it reveal about the paralytic?
 - Why do you think Jesus saw faith in the actions of these men? (If time, read James 2:14-25.)
 - In what ways can we be like the friends of the paralytic and help people get to Jesus?
3. He un.masks our hearts. (vv. 6-10, 12)
 - If you believe that Jesus already knows all of your doubts, sins, and struggles, how might that influence the way you live and think?
4. He restores what's ruined (vv. 5-12)
 - We can imagine that the paralytic had lost hope of ever walking. Share examples of people you know whose hopeless situations were redeemed by Jesus. Can you think of people that you have seen Jesus change even when their suffering was not removed?

Pray

Adore God together for his power to forgive sins.

Confess the sins of your heart, noting times when you have doubted the power and compassion of God.

Thank God together for the way he brings restoration to dark places.

Ask God to form us into a church that prioritizes getting people to Jesus.

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