

Mark 2:3, Luke 5:18, Matt. 9:1

I. The Helpless. Paralytic.

- a. In body. He was paralyzed.
- b. In spirit. He must have been broken and depressed. For Jesus said, "Son be of good cheer."
- c. In spirit. His soul was defiled and he was helpless to free himself.

II. The Helpers. "Borne Of Four."

- a. They must have been volunteer helpers.
- b. They were cooperative helpers, "Borne of four." One could not do the job by himself.
- c. They were determined helpers. "They uncovered the roof where Jesus was." Let nothing stand in the way.
- d. They were sympathetic helpers. "Jesus saw their faith."

III. The Hinderers.

- a. Intellectual. "Certain scribes sitting there, and reasoning in their heart." Want to reason things out.
- b. Critical hinderers. "Why doth this man thus speak blasphemies?"
- c. Hindering through doubt. "Who can forgive sins but God?"

IV. The Healer.

- a. He was an observant Healer.
 - b. He was a tender Healer. "Son be of good cheer."
 - c. He was a complete Healer. Healed soul and body.
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