



Mark 2:1-12 (NIV)

A few days later, when Jesus again entered Capernaum, the people heard that he had come home. ² They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them. ³ Some men came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. ⁴ 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. ⁵ When Jesus saw **their faith**, he said to the paralyzed man, "Son, your sins are forgiven." ⁶ 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?" ...

¹⁰ But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So he said to the man, ¹¹ "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." ¹² He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all. This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"



I.
**FAITH ENABLES YOU
TO REACH THE
UNREACHABLE**
(Mark 2:1-3)

TENACIOUS FAITH
³ Some men came, **bringing to him** a paralyzed man, carried by four of them.
Four men could not get to Jesus, but their faith could. These men were willing to do whatever it takes to bring their friend to Jesus, they would stop at nothing to get to Jesus.

Faith forces us to put our beliefs into behaviour.
"Faith is a verb --- Faith is the substance..."

Nicknames of these "Empat SeKawan" - 4 Friends of Faith (Mark measures faith not by its orthodoxy but by its):
Determination, Courage, Persistence, and Confidence.

BRINGING THE LOST TO JESUS

Be Stretcher-bearers

II.

FAITH WILL FIND A WAY WHERE THERE SEEMS TO BE NO WAY

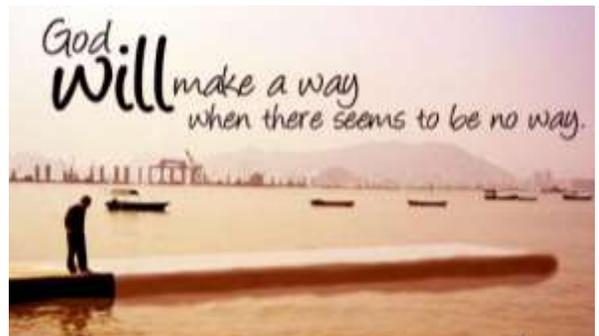
(Mark 2:4)





DARING INGENIOUS FAITH
Whatever it takes!
Faith Will Find a Way (2:4b)
Through the Roof!

HOW YOU CAN TAKE YOUR FAITH THROUGH THE ROOF
Believe that if you're asking something that is the will of God, there's a way to achieve it.
Every miracle has a key.
When is the last time you and I were accused of doing something radical, bold, daring for the Lord?



III.
**FAITH MAKES THE
 IMPOSSIBLE
 POSSIBLE**
 (Mark 2:5, 11)

• Mark 2: 1 – 12
 Jesus saw their faith
 and he said to the
 paralytic, "Son, your
 sins are forgiven."



INFECTIOUS FAITH
JESUS "SAW THEIR FAITH" (:5)

Jesus is always impressed by great faith. Jesus is always moved when he sees our faith in action. It's just like Jesus to be moved by faith in people. Our Lord is always looking for people who display faith in Him. He honored their daring faith. He always does!

"SON, YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN!"
 That is the Greatest Need all people
 have — to have their sins forgiven.
 Forgiveness is the heart of the Gospel
 — the heart of the Christian faith.

"You are forgiven!"

God Only; God Alone!

They asked the same question that many, today still ask. "Who can forgive sins but God?"

"The son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins." Mark 2:10

Sickness Or Sin; Let Jesus Decide

Forgiveness is the greatest miracle that Jesus ever performs. It meets the greatest need; it costs the greatest price; and it brings the greatest blessing and the most lasting results (Wiersbe).



**FORGIVENESS
HEALS**

¹¹ "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home."

GET UP! TAKE YOUR MAT... AND WALK!
Even though it was humanly impossible for him, if Jesus said He could do it...He could do it! ...and He stood up. When God asks you to do something that seems humanly impossible, He gives you the power to do it.

NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE

When a word from the Lord is released, it carries with it the seed of God's infinite realm of unlimited power; so that the impossible becomes possible!

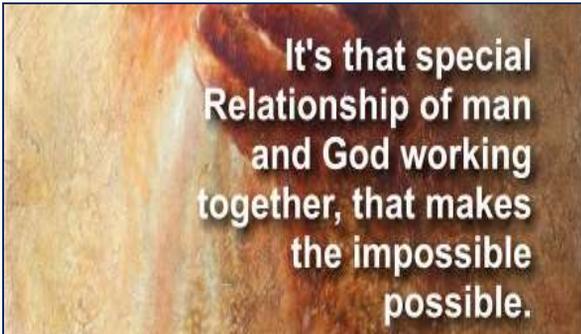
FOR NOTHING
IS IMPOSSIBLE
WITH GOD

LUKE 1:37

believe

EVERYTHING IS POSSIBLE FOR HIM WHO BELIEVES
MARK 9:23

WITH FAITH IN
GOD
IMPOSSIBLE
BECOMES
POSSIBLE.



- Faith isn't something you believe. Faith is something you do!
- Faith isn't just something you think about. It's something you act on!
- Faith isn't simply a belief, a philosophy or even a conviction. Faith is an activity! It's trusting & obeying God, doing what He says to do (even if you don't know how it's all going to work out). And trusting God with the outcome!

This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen ANYTHING like this!!!" (Mk 2:12)
Hallelujah!

THEIR FAITH

FAITH ENABLES YOU TO REACH THE UNREACHABLE (Mk 2:1-3)
FAITH WILL FIND A WAY WHERE THERE WAS NO WAY (Mk 2:4)
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