

Review from Sunday—The paralytic heard Jesus say four things to him: 1) Your sins are forgiven; 2) Arise; 3) Take up your bed; 4) Go home

This evening's focus: **"CARING ENOUGH TO CARRY SOMEONE ELSE"**

- Galatians 6:2, *"Bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ."*

What was/is the "law of Christ?" _____

Some Things to Think About:

Who helped **Moses** bear his burdens when he struggled? _____

Who helped **David** bear his burdens when he struggled? _____

Who helped **Jesus** bear His burdens when He struggled? _____

Breakout Question: Besides God, who helps **YOU** bear your burdens when you struggle?

Why is it usually difficult for burden bearers to have others help them with their burdens?

Luke 5:17 – 20, ¹⁷ *Now it happened on a certain day, as He was teaching, that there were Pharisees and teachers of the law sitting by, who had come out of every town of Galilee, Judea, and Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was present to heal them.*

¹⁸ *Then behold, men brought on a bed a man who was paralyzed, whom they sought to bring in and lay before Him.*

¹⁹ *And when they could not find how they might bring him in, because of the crowd, they went up on the housetop and let him down with his bed through the tiling into the midst before Jesus.*

²⁰ *When He saw their faith, He said to him, "Man, your sins are forgiven you."*

Some Things to Talk About:

What would **compel** four men to carry a paralyzed man? _____

What **obstacles** did these four burden bearers encounter? _____

When Jesus **“saw the faith”** of these four burden bearers, what did He see? _____

Let's Get Personal: Can you share about a time when your family or your friends had faith to carry you when you didn't have much faith for yourself?

Let's Get Personal Again: Can you share about a time when you had faith to carry your family or your friends when they didn't have much faith for themselves?

What are some of the **dangers or pitfalls** that burden bearers usually experience?

What can we **learn and apply** from the text about caring for others and helping to bear their burdens?

Sunday, September 6th: **“Justice For Margin Dwellers”** from Luke 18:1 – 8!