

Break the Rules: Wreck the Roof

There are three emotions in particular that paralyze our potential:

1. Our fears about the future.
2. Our regrets about the past.
3. Our doubts about our abilities.

What would happen if I asked Jesus Christ to change my life?

“One day as he was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law, who had come from every village of Galilee and from Judea and Jerusalem, were sitting there. And the power of the Lord was present for him to heal the sick. Some men came carrying a paralytic on a mat and tried to take him into the house to lay him before Jesus. When they could not find a way to do this because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and lowered him on his mat through the tiles into the middle of the crowd, right in front of Jesus.” (Luke 5:17-19)

He will alleviate your fears.

“They brought to Jesus a man who was paralyzed and lying on a mat. Then Jesus said to the paralyzed man ‘Be encouraged young man.’” (Matthew 9:2)

Jesus cares about how you feel.

Three hundred sixty-five times in the Bible it says “Fear not.”

“We crucify ourselves between two thieves: regret for yesterday and fear of tomorrow.”

“I asked the Lord for help and He answered me and He freed me from all my anxious fears.” (Psalm 34)

He will eliminate your guilt.

“Then Jesus said, ‘Friend, your sins are forgiven.’” (Luke 5:20)

When Jesus works in your life, He always works on your heart first.

We all need to know HOW Jesus Christ forgives.

Jesus forgives me instantly.

“God is merciful and quick to forgive.” (Isaiah 55:7)

Jesus forgives me completely.

Colossians 2 13-14 says, *“He has forgiven all your sins, He has utterly wiped out the evidence of broken commandments which always hung over our heads and He has completely annulled it by nailing it to the cross.”*

Jesus forgives me freely.

God’s forgiveness is a gift.

He will enable me to do what seems impossible.

“Then Jesus turned to the paralyzed man and said, ‘Stand up! Take your mat and go on home. You’re healed.’ The man jumped up, took the mat, pushed his way through the stunned onlookers. They all praised God, ‘We’ve never seen anything like this before,’ they exclaimed.” (Mark 2:10)

Faith is an activity.

Jesus said, *“Without God it is utterly impossible but with God everything is possible.” (Matthew 19:26)*

So, what you need to do today:

- Turn to Jesus Christ.
- You must believe that Jesus Christ can and will help you change.
- You must do whatever He tells you to do even if it seems impossible.