



Wreck the Roof

Week of March 12-18

This sermon study is designed to be used the week after the sermon it supplements. Before using the study in your life group, it might be helpful to work through the questions on your own before your group meets. The purpose of this guide is to help facilitate discussion and to help your group, collectively and individually, grow closer to Jesus.

SERIES RECAP

When Jesus came, He initiated a whole new way of living that went against many of the cultural rules that existed in His day. Jesus was the ultimate rule breaker! Jesus showed us how to truly LOVE our neighbors.

SERMON SUMMARY

Fear is an emotion that can completely paralyze us. It keeps us from moving forward, getting out of a bad situation or even doing what we know God wants. In this sermon we'll learn how to conquer fear.

MAIN TEXT

Luke 5:17-19, Matthew 9:2, Luke 5:20, Isaiah 55:7, Colossians 2: 13-14, Mark 2:10, Matthew 19:26.

GETTING STARTED

What kinds of fears do you have? How do you deal with your fears?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. **Read Luke 5:17-19.**
2. What would be your reaction to being brought to the house where you could be healed and you couldn't get in?
3. **If your friends suggested they cut a hole in the roof and lower you, what would you say? Would you agree or disagree?**
4. **Read Matthew 9:2**
5. Why did Jesus say that?
6. What kind of reaction do you think that got from the paralyzed man?
7. **Read Luke 5:20.**
8. The man is looking for healing and Jesus forgives him? Why?
9. **What is your reaction to that?**

10. **Knowing you are forgiven and *feeling* like you are forgiven are two separate things. Why?**
11. **Read Isaiah 55:7 and Colossians 2:13-14.**
12. **What do these two scriptures tell you about God's forgiveness?**
13. **Read Matthew 19:26.**
14. **What are your thoughts on that passage? Are you hesitant to ask?**
15. **What would happen if you trusted God to do the impossible?**

NEXT STEPS

Loving our neighbor is easy when we like them. What neighbors around you require more love? Make plans now to break down those walls.

DISCIPLESHIP STORY

THIS WEEK

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The Paralyzed Man – Luke 5:17-20, Mark 2:10

1. What would be your reaction to being brought to the house where you could be healed and you couldn't get in?
2. Would you encourage or discourage your friends from cutting a hole in the roof?
3. Jesus tells the man he is forgiven. Do you feel forgiven?
4. How does forgiveness play a role in this story?
5. What did you learn about man in this story?
6. What did you learn about God in this story?
7. What does God want you to do?

DISCIPLESHIP STORY NEXT WEEK

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