

Luke 5:17-24
"How to Get Along
With People"

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1. Introduction

- a. Paralyzed man carried by 4 men
- b. They broke through the roof & let down the bed pallet on ropes
- c. They placed paralyzed man directly in front of Jesus
- d. Principles to get along with people

2. Principles of Christian Harmony

- a. Philp 2:1-2 Four part harmony in the church
 - likeminded
 - having same love
 - one accord
 - of one mind
- b. Philp 2:5 having mind of Christ

3. Relationships About People

- a. All relationships based on position
 - Man ↔ God (Creator)
 - Child ↔ Parents
 - Follower ↔ Leader
 - Spouses ↔ Husband ↔ Wife
- b. Leave relationships gracefully - don't burn bridges
- c. Help anyone with respect
 - honor their person
 - honor their dignity

4. Forgiveness Foundation of Relations

- a. God forgives sins
 - He gives forgiveness to people
- b. People forgive offenses from others
- c. Forgiveness is compassion to release someone of their debt
 - you remove yourself as judge
 - choice of your will
- d. Forgiveness is an action & a process

- 4e. Forgiveness is not forgetting or amnesia
- staying involved with others
5. Understanding Other Person's Life
- Take your eyes off yourself
 - Other person is not you
 - The church is about others - individuals are Body of Christ
 - Acts 9:4-5
- Saul attacking Jewish Christians
- Jesus asks Saul, "Saul, why are you persecuting Me?"
 - Christian is not finished yet
- God changes Christian into Christ's image
 - You observe, ask questions, & support others
6. See the Needs in Other Lives
- Mt 7:12 the Law & Prophets teach
- do to others as you wish other person to do to you
 - Other person's lack (inability) is your opportunity
7. Paralyzed Man
- He had physical disability - need
 - He had 4 friends - opportunity
 - His friends wanted him to get well
 - They carried him to see Jesus
- not even overflowing crowd could stop them
 - Jesus saw their faith
- faith of friends of paralyzed man
 - Jesus healed paralyzed man
8. Conclusion
- Jesus understood thoughts of scribes & Pharisees about blasphemies
 - Jesus answered: "But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins."