

## Jesus Heals the Desperate (Luke 5:17-26)

### I. Both the Religious and Desperate Come to Jesus (17-20)

#### A. Religious Men Come to Jesus (17)

1. Pharisees and teachers of the Law came to hear him
2. God's power was with Him to Heal

#### B. Desperate Men Come to Jesus (18-20)

1. Desperate Men came carrying a paralytic (18)
  - i. They obviously cared for the man
  - ii. They knew Jesus was their only hope
2. Desperate Men Found a Way through (19)
  - i. They had to get through
  - ii. There was no other hope
  - iii. They were desperate in their hopelessness
3. Desperate Men Are healed of their sin (20)
  - i. Jesus saw their faith
  - ii. Jesus healed the man's real problem
  - iii. We want comfort, when Jesus wants reconciliation

### II. The Religious are Shamed and the Desperate Healed (21-27)

#### A. Jesus Scolds the Religious Men (21-23)

1. The Religious refused Jesus' authority (21)
  - i. They believed they were righteous
  - ii. They wanted God to see their works
  - iii. They wanted God to see their religion
2. Jesus Questions the Religious' understanding (22-23)
  - i. They did not believe Jesus could forgive sins
  - ii. They doubted who He was
  - iii. They doubted that sins were forgiven by faith

#### B. Jesus Heals the Desperate Man's Body (24-27)

1. Jesus proves His authority to forgive (24)
  - i. Jesus heals the man's body
  - ii. The people think physical healing is harder
2. God is glorified Through the Desperate's healing (25)
  - i. Greatest miracle is salvation
  - ii. God is glorified in salvation more than healing
3. All who saw it glorified God (26)
  - i. Awe and wonder came from healing
  - ii. The true miracle was the salvation