West Suburban
COMMUNITY CHURCH

"Desperate Faith, Deepest Need"

Mark 2:1-12 ◆ Pastor Jim Lennon

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Introduction - *In chapter 2, Mark records one of the most surprising things that Jesus ever said or did.*

I. A Desperate Faith.

A. Jesus returns to Capernaum to teach the Word of God.

B. A paralyzed man is desperate to see Jesus but is hindered by the crowd.

II. A Deeper Healing.

A. Jesus responds to their faith in Him.

B. Instead of healing him, Jesus forgives the man's sins.

C. What Jesus is saying by this:

III. A Divine Authority.

A. The Scribes were upset and angry by what Jesus said, because only God can forgive sins.

B. Jesus asks the question-'Which is harder?'

C. Jesus answers His own question by focusing on the word 'say.'

D. The shadow of the cross begins to fall across Jesus' path.

Conclusion