



Small group questions

Mark 2:1-12 Questions arising from Glenn Davies' sermon at 730 and Tewantin

Leaders - if the questions make no sense or you don't know the answer - please contact Mark.

1. What stood out for you from Glenn's message? Any new insights? Challenges?
2. Why did Jesus draw such a crowd that there was *no room left, not even outside the door*?
3. What sort of logistics would be needed to get the man up on the roof, make a hole in the roof and lower the man on his mat to Jesus? What does this tell us about what they understood about Jesus that they went to such efforts to get their mate to him?
4. V5 *When Jesus saw their faith*. What was it that Jesus saw that indicated these men had faith? What sort of faith do you think it was at this point?
5. What was surprising about what Jesus said to the man?
6. What is the important lesson we can deduce by what Jesus said to the man?
7. Why were the teachers of the law so upset by what Jesus said?
8. What was the irony about what they said?
9. Which is easier to say: "your sins are forgiven" or "get up and walk"?
10. What did the healing demonstrate about Jesus?
11. Imagine a non-Christian friend has agreed to read through Mark's gospel with you. You've just read this passage with them. What would you be wanting to draw out from the passage for your friend to reflect on?
12. Imagine you're focussing on this passage in your small group(!). If you were the leader, what would you be wanting your Christian brothers and sisters to take away from the study?

Thank the Lord for visit of Glenn Davies and Chris Edwards, and pray for them during General Synod at Twin Waters this week that they will be instruments of God in safeguarding the Gospel in the national church.