

# LINK group Homework

Week of February 19, 2012

Mark 2:1-12

Forgiveness vs. Paralysis

## MY STORY

1. Since this is President's day week, who is your favorite President and why?
2. What was the worst injury you ever sustained?
3. Do you prefer paper, plastic or your own bag?

**QUICK REVIEW:** What insight, principle or observation from this week's message did you find to be most helpful, eye-opening or troubling? Explain.

## DIGGING DEEPER

1. In today's world, we separate medicine (the physical) from the soul. Does the Bible correlate physical ailments to the state of the soul? Look up some examples and jot them down...
2. Forgiveness is perhaps one of the hardest things we are asked to do. We want justice and vengeance when we have been wronged. Look up the following verses and jot down your thoughts...

Matthew 5:38-48

Luke 4:41-50

Ephesians 4:32

Colossians 1:9-14

3. When David sinned, it involved many people. Why did He focus on God in the following Psalms? What should be our attitude when others sin against us? Why should we seek God's forgiveness when we sin against others?

Psalm 32

Psalm 51

2 Samuel 12:1-14

4. On Sunday Pastor Phil compared the posture of the scribes to the crowds. He said that the real paralyzed persons were the scribes. How can religion paralyze us to the work God is doing? What are some preventative measures we can take to avoid paralysis?
5. We pray for and long for physical healing, yet many of our prayers are answered, "No". Is it a lack of faith? Why don't we see more healing? What should be our perspective on suffering?

*The subject of forgiveness is woven throughout the pages of scripture. From Genesis 3 on, we have needed it from God. Make sure you thank God for forgiving you this week. Also ask Him to illuminate ones you need to forgive...*

Prayer requests: