

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: February 4, 2018
Mark 1:40-2:12

1. What did the man with leprosy say to Jesus, according to verse 1:40? _____

2. How does Jesus respond, according to verse 1:41? _____

3. Why do you think that Jesus told the man not to tell anyone?
 - a. This is Mark's Messianic Secret...and John's "My time has not yet come." He didn't want anyone to know who he was.
 - b. Because he had touched a man with leprosy and this could mean he would have to stay away from people. In fact, verse 45 tells us that Jesus was forced to stay outside of town in lonely places when the man told everyone.
4. Did this keep Jesus from ministering to people, according to verses 1:45? Yes _____
No _____ Explain. _____

5. What happened in 2:1-4?
 - a. Jesus again entered Capernaum.
 - b. People heard that he had come.
 - c. So many people gathered that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them.
 - d. Some men came, bringing a paralyzed man.
 - e. When they couldn't get in to Jesus, they dug a hole in the roof and lowered the man down to Jesus.
6. What did Jesus do, according to 2:5?
 - a. He sent the man and his friends away for interrupting his sermon.
 - b. He healed the man.
 - c. He said "Son, your sins are forgiven."
7. Why do you think Jesus forgave his sin instead of healing him? _____
8. How did the teachers of the law respond to this?
 - a. They were happy!
 - b. They believed Jesus was guilty of blasphemy for forgiving what only God could forgive.
9. How did Jesus know what the teachers of the law were thinking? _____
10. Why did Jesus heal the man?
 - a. Because he knew that the teachers of the law would think that this was harder than forgiving sins.
 - b. So that they would believe that he had authority on earth to forgive sins.
11. What does it take for you to believe? _____