

## **When Faith Finds a Way**

**Luke 5:17-26**

August 30 & 31

**Luke 5:17**, *One day Jesus was teaching, and Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting there. They had come from every village of Galilee and from Judea and Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was with Jesus to heal the sick.*

**Luke 5:18**, *Some men came carrying a paralyzed man on a mat and tried to take him into the house to lay him before Jesus. **19** When they could not find a way to do this because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and lowered him on his mat through the tiles into the middle of the crowd, right in front of Jesus.*

### **God Created Us to Live in Community**

**Luke 5:20**, *When Jesus saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven."*

### **Faith Becomes Real When We Put Love Into Action**

#### **Jesus Knows Our Deepest Need**

**Luke 5:21**, *The Pharisees and the teachers of the law began thinking to themselves, "Who is this fellow who speaks blasphemy? Who can forgive sins but God alone?"*

#### **When Jesus Is Lord, He Is More Than a Part of Our Life, He Is Our Life**

**Luke 5:22**, *Jesus knew what they were thinking and asked, "Why are you thinking these things in your hearts? **23** Which is easier: to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up and walk'?"*

**Luke 5:24**, *"But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So he said to the paralyzed man, "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home."*

**Luke 5:25**, *Immediately he stood up in front of them, took what he had been lying on and went home praising God.*

**Luke 5:26**, *Everyone was amazed and gave praise to God. They were filled with awe and said, "We have seen remarkable things today."*

- 1. Commit to Being in Worship**
- 2. Connect With a Group**
- 3. Find a Place to Serve**
- 4. Make Time for the Daily Devotional**

**Text GROWTH to 77978**