Luke 5:17-26 Paralytic Let down through the Roof – Healed and Forgiven

17 Now it happened on a certain day, as He was teaching, that there were Pharisees and teachers of the law sitting by, who had come out of every town of Galilee, Judea, and Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was present to heal them. 18 Then behold, men brought on a bed a man who was paralyzed, whom they sought to bring in and lay before Him. 19 And when they could not find how they might bring him in, because of the crowd, they went up on the housetop and let him down with his bed through the tiling into the midst before Jesus. 20 When He saw their faith, He said to him, "Man, your sins are forgiven you." 21 And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, "Who is this who speaks blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" 22 But when Jesus perceived their thoughts, He answered and said to them, "Why are you reasoning in your hearts? 23 Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Rise up and walk'? 24 But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins"--He said to the man who was paralyzed, "I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." 25 Immediately he rose up before them, took up what he had been lying on, and departed to his own house, glorifying God. 26 And they were all amazed, and they glorified God and were filled with fear, saying, "We have seen strange things today!" NKJV

Facts Revealed:

- **♦** Jesus is back in Peter's house in Capernaum. [Mark 2:1, Matthew 9:1, Luke 5:17-19]
- The house was packed by the multitude that came when they heard Jesus had arrived. [Mark 2:1-2, Luke 5:19]
 - ♦ Jesus preached the Word to them. [Mark 2:2, Luke 5:17]
 - ♦ There was no longer room to receive them, not even near the door. [Mark 2:2, Luke 5:19]
 - ♦ Pharisees, and Scribes, Teachers of the Law were sitting by who had come out of every town in Galilee, Judea, and Jerusalem. [Luke 5:17, Matthew 9:3]
- ₱ Men brought a paralytic to Jesus.
 - ♦ <u>Need</u> was on the stretcher, those who brought him were <u>Faith</u>, <u>Love</u>, <u>Determination</u>, and <u>Works</u>.
 - ♦ They let the Paralytic down through the roof before Jesus. [Mark 2:3-4, Matthew 9:2, Luke 5:18-19]
- When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you." [Mark 2:5, Matthew 9:2, Luke 5:20]
 - ♦ And some of the scribes and Pharisees were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, Why does this Man speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" [Mark 2:6-7, Matthew 9:3, Luke 5:21]
 - ☐ They are correct, only God has the authority to forgive sins, and therefore, Jesus was again demonstrating more evidence as to His true identity as Yehowah Elohey Yisrael (the Lord God of Israel).
- F Jesus then demonstrated that the evidence is true and He certainly is God the judge Who has the authority to forgive sins.
 - ❖ But immediately, when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they reasoned thus within themselves, He said to them, "Why do you reason about these things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise, take up your bed and walk'? [Mark 2:8-9, Matthew 9:4-5, Luke 5:22-23]
 - ♦ But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins "--He said to the paralytic, I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go your way to your house."

 [Mark 2:10-11, Matthew 9:6, Luke 5:24]
 - → Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all glorifying God, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!" [Mark 2:12, Matthew 9:7, Luke 5:25]

- ♦ The resulting evidence is compelling.
- ♦ The people glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this." [Mark 2:12, Matthew 9:8, Luke 5:26]
- ♥ We today need to demonstrate similar faith, love, determination, and works to receive from the hand of the Most High a similar solution to our needs and prayers.