



Some "Defining Moments" we face can be _____ - changing.

Observations: Luke 5:17-26

1. Beyond teaching there was an opportunity for _____.
2. The paralytic was _____.
3. The obstacle was the _____ crowd.
4. The moment came when they had to make a _____ that had life changing consequences!
5. It's the friends _____ in Jesus that made the all the difference.
6. Jesus has the _____ to change lives!

Three common factors:

- A. People _____ deeply to God.
- B. God uses _____ to reach people.
- C. There's a _____ to impacting lives

Challenge:

Will we be willing to _____ the price to get people in front of Jesus?

Luke 5:17-26 (NIV)

17One day as he was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law, who had come from every village of Galilee and from Judea and Jerusalem, were sitting there. And the power of the Lord was present for him to heal the sick. 18Some men came carrying a paralytic on a mat and tried to take him into the house to lay him before Jesus. 19When 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.

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

21The 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?"

22Jesus knew what they were thinking and asked, "Why are you thinking these things in your hearts? 23Which is easier: to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up and walk'? 24But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins...." He said to the paralyzed man, "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." 25Immediately he stood up in front of them, took what he had been lying on and went home praising God. 26Everyone was amazed and gave praise to God. They were filled with awe and said, "We have seen remarkable things today."