

Yr 2 Parents' Cheat Sheet
Jesus Forgives and Heals the Paralyzed Man

1. What are Sins?

Sins are things that we do to turn away from God. They affect our relationship with God because when we sin we move in a different direction from Him. Its as if we turn our heads away from His face. When we sin we are not doing as God who is LOVE, would want us to do. He wants us to focus on Him – to focus on Love, and He will always lead us in the right path towards Him – towards peace, towards Love.

2. What did Jesus say to the paralyzed man when he saw him and why?

He told him “Your sins are forgiven.” Jesus could see that the man really had faith in Jesus because he got his friends to help him get close to Jesus. Jesus forgave the man of his sins because He loved him so much that He wanted to heal the man’s heart/soul. This means that He wanted to help him turn back toward God and focus on God who is LOVE and experience the peace that God can give.

3. Why did this make the Scribes (religious leaders) angry?

They were smart men and they knew that only God can forgive sins. So, if Jesus was saying “your sins are forgiven” then this meant that Jesus was acting as if He was God! We know that Jesus is God but they did not believe that. Jesus showed them that he had the power to forgive sins because he was God’s Son. This means he wasn’t just a good guy or just a special healer but God! This is very important for us to remember. He healed the man of his paralysis, just to show them that he had power. The healing of the man was a wonderful thing, but the most wonderful thing for us to never forget is that Jesus can forgive our sins. This means He heals our heart/soul which is even more wonderful than healing our body!