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**You Can't Make A Difference**

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 5:17 NIV**

Some men came carrying a paralyzed man on a mat and **tried to take him into the house** to lay him before Jesus.

**Luke 5:18 NIV**

When Jesus saw **their faith**, he said, “Friend, your sins are forgiven.”

**Luke 5:20 NIV**

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?”

**Luke 5:21 NIV**

Jesus knew what they were thinking and asked, “Why are you thinking these things in your hearts?”

**Luke 5:22 NIV**

**Which is easier: to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up and walk’? But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.”**

**Luke 5:23-24 NIV**



So he said to the paralyzed man,  
“I tell you, get up, take your mat  
and go home. **Immediately he  
stood up** in front of them, took  
what he had been lying on and  
went home praising God.

**Luke 5:24-25 NIV**

Everyone was amazed and gave praise to God. They were filled with awe and said, “We have seen remarkable things today.”

**Luke 5:26 NIV**

These guys experienced  
something together that they  
could have never experienced  
alone.

They endured personal sacrifice.

They pushed through the  
awkwardness.

**Their faith inspired others.**

They changed a life forever.





Whose cot are you carrying?