

## How Much Do You Care About a Lost Soul?

*Mark 2:1-5*

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**Introduction:** We are living in a time when boldness in witnessing for Christ is dwindling! Christians just don't have the zeal or fire to get people to Christ anymore. Why is this? Well, I think our story might reveal the answer to this problem. In this story we're going to see everyone take off to see Jesus right away, except 4 men! It was the kindness and compassion of 4 men that led them to help the paralytic. But for everyone else, they were merely consumed with themselves. This has been a common problem with believers since the rise of the early church. Christians are sometimes too consumed with themselves to witness for Christ. Our text reveals three key actions of these men that will help us to witness for Christ!

### I. They Cared About a Friend (vs. 1-3)

A. You must be willing to show compassion (vs. 1-2)

B. You must be willing to carry a burden (vs. 3)

C. You must be willing to team up (vs. 3)

### II. They Carried a Friend to Jesus (vs. 1, 3)

A. You must know where to take your friend (vs. 1, 3)

B. You must believe that Jesus can save your friend (vs. 3)

### III. They Conquered Every Obstacle Before Them (vs. 1-2, 4-5)

A. People should not hinder you (vs. 1-2, 4)

B. Pride should not hinder you (vs. 4)

C. Problems should not hinder you (vs. 4-5)



**Conclusion:** Are you doing your best for Jesus?