

JESUS KNOWS BEST

(Mark 2:1-12)

I. JESUS PROVES HE IS GOD IN THE FLESH

- A. The Situation
- B. The _____ of Men (5A)
- C. An _____ & _____ Pronouncement (5B)
- D. An _____ Challenge (6-7)
- E. An _____ Response (8-11)

- F. Final Proof

II. DOES _____ KNOW BEST?

III. HUMANITY'S GREATEST NEED IS _____

- A. Clearly _____ Thinks So
- B. This Should Be _____, But...
 - 1. Hell
 - 2. Heaven
 - 3. Luke 10:18-20
- C. Lessons From a Famous Story (Luke 16:19-31)

BIBLE STUDY QUESTIONS

1.) What would you have thought if you were the paralytic or one of his friends when Jesus pronounced that your sins are forgiven? Can you think of a situation where you wanted one thing, but received something else and realized later that what you received was better than what you wanted?

2.) Look up Daniel 7:13-14. How is the "Son of Man" described in these verses? The fact that Jesus refers to Himself as the "Son of Man" fairly frequently would imply what about His being?

3.) Read John 8:58-59. What is the response of the Jews to His claim? Why are they so upset? See Exodus 3:13-14. Can you think of any other passages that clearly teach Jesus is God in the flesh? Why is it important that Jesus be God?

4.) Read Revelation 21:1-7 & 22-27; 22:1-5; & Isaiah 11:6-9. Describe what heave will be like.

5.) Read the following verses and record what each one says about Hell.

Luke 16:24 –

Matthew 8:12; 13:42 & 50; 15:30; 22:13; 24:51 –

Matthew 25:46 –

Mark 9:48 –

Revelation 14:11

Isaiah 48:22 –

Many commentators think that “the worm that does not die” refers to a person’s conscience. What are the implications of this? See also Romans 8:1-2 for what the saved experience.

6.) How would you respond to someone who says they will be OK in Hell because all of their friends will be there? Why do you think people try to make light of Hell, to act as if it is no big deal?

7.) Why do you think people want to make social action (feeding the hungry, caring for the sick, etc.) equal in importance to telling people about salvation through faith in Jesus?

8.) Read James 2:14-26. The statement “claims to have faith” means a professing Christian, i.e. someone who says they are a Christian. Is this passage teaching that social action is more important than preaching the gospel? Why or why not? How are the two related?

9.) What method do you use to explain to someone why they need to trust Christ as their Savior and Lord? If you do not have a method, are you willing to learn one? When will you do that?