

# Hope Groups

## Luke 5:17-26

17 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. 18 Some men came carrying a paralyzed man on a mat and tried to take him into the house to lay him before Jesus. 19 When 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.

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

21 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?"

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

## LOOK BACK... (10-15 mins)

What are you thankful for and what's been a challenge this week?

Can we help with or pray about anything shared?

**Vision\* & Check-in:** How did you go with your plan to share/invite or obey from last time?

## LOOK UP... (10-15 mins)

**Read this week's story/passage. Discuss the following questions:**

1. What did you like about this passage?
2. What did you find challenging or hard to understand?

## Re-read the passage/story (& retell in your own words)

3. What does this say about God/Jesus?
4. What does this say about people?

## LOOK FORWARDS... (10-15 mins)

What would it mean for me to obey/follow what is taught here?

Who will I share this story with?

Who will I invite to the next Event in my City?

If appropriate, pray.

## Scan to find the next Event in your City:



**\*Vision:** "Reaching the world through workers with the good news about Jesus, starting with 100,000 workers in APAC"