DESPERATE FOR GOD TO MOVE

Today, as we continue in our "Desperate for God to Move" series, we turn to Luke 5. Today, we're considering moments when we're "Desperate for God to Save" the people in our lives who don't know Christ. In Luke 5, we see a familiar story about a group of men who brought their paralyzed friend to Jesus because they were burdened for his healing. In this passage, we'll see the role of personal faith, the priority of spiritual healing over physical healing, and Jesus' authority to forgive sins. Today's passage also highlights the importance of persistent faith and prayer in leading others to salvation.

Key Passage: Luke 5:17-26

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How does the story of the paralyzed man in Luke 5 illustrate desperation for salvation?
- 2. What does the passage reveal about the importance of personal faith in salvation?
- 3. What's the significance of Jesus addressing the man's sins before healing his physical condition? How does Jesus' healing of the paralyzed man prove His authority to forgive sins?
- 4. What role does faith play in seeing people come to Christ?
- 5. Why is salvation through Jesus described as exclusive and inclusive in this message?
- 6. How can the friends' actions in Luke 5 encourage us in our efforts to bring people to Christ?
- 7. What does today's passage teach about the connection between physical healing and spiritual healing?
- 8. How should this story impact how we pray for the salvation of others?
- 9. What about this study has challenged you most? What's your biggest takeaway?