1. Launchers:

• What roadblocks have you had, or do you have now that seem immovable?

2. Worship God for His Power to Save and His Goodness to Us

Read together Ephesians 3:20-21 and Romans 8:32-34. Read them multiple times. Have each member of your group read them. Read them silently. Let the weight of the wonder of God's love rest on those in your group. Then pray, praising God for His work to save and bless.

3. Sermon Reflection:

WHAT IS PARALYSIS?

- How does the problem of sin go beyond guilt to include brokenness?
- What is your BIGGEST PROBLEM?

THE MERCIFUL SAVIOR

- What is revealed about Jesus? Signs are not random dazzling acts but purposeful displays to demonstrate God's Promises
- In His death and resurrection Jesus forgives and heals. And it was not easier... it would cost Him everything He had and all He loved...
 - o Is this who you see Jesus to be?
 - o Is this what you believe that you need?

THE FORK IN THE ROAD

- Do you believe Jesus or doubt Him?
- What does Jesus want from us?
- What more does Jesus need to do for you to believe in Him?

4. Kingdom Centered Prayer:

- 1. Worship the LORD our Healer for His mercy and goodness to broken people like us. Praise Him, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, that He works by His power, not to destroy us as He justly could, but to redeem us.
- 2. How have you lived either denying your brokenness or Jesus' power to make you whole? Confess your pride and unbelief to Him, asking Jesus to both forgive you and heal you just like this paralytic.
- 3. Give thanks to Jesus for His goodness to exercise His authority and power to redeem sinners like us. *Thank Him for bearing what it cost to atone for all our sins (by His death) and to make us whole (His obedient life).*
- 4. Who do you know that lives as if Jesus can't be trusted? Pray for them, asking the Lord to help them to see their own spiritual paralysis *and* that Jesus can be trusted to heal and forgive them.
- 5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love, joy, and faith. Pray that the Spirit would work in you to only trust Jesus' power and authority more and more as He works to forgive and heal even you.

5. Mission: Christians believe in Jesus then invite others to the beliefs they enjoy.

Ask your friends and co-workers:

- What more does Jesus need to do for you to trust Him, love Him and live for Him?
- Ask for the opportunity to share with them what Jesus has done to cause you to love and trust Him but also how He continues to bless your life?

6. Jesus From Others

Close your time together in letting each person share something they came to love about Jesus from something someone in the group shared during your time together.

What do you love more about Jesus from what someone shared during our CG tonight?