Our approach each week will be REAP (read, explain, apply, personalize). In this series, however, we won’t wait to document the ‘apply’ and ‘personalize’ until the end of the lesson. As we see them, we’ll capture them.

What is God doing in you through His word from the portion of Mark we’ve studied so far?

Read: Mark 2

Explain: Mark 2:4

Bible study is asking and answering questions about the text. Let’s ask some questions.

Are there any literary/structural observations?

What do the words mean?

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Jesus Heals a Paralytic

4 And [G2532: καί; kai; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in Mark] when they could [G1410: δύναμαι; dunamai; masculine plural nominative present participle middle or passive deponent; 1. to be able or possible; occurs 30 times in Mark] not [G3361: μή; me; 1. (adverb) not 2. (conjunction) lest 3. (interrogative) whether; occurs 52 times in Mark] get near [G4374: προσφέρω; prosphera; 2nd aorist infinitive active; 1. to bear towards, i.e. lead to, tender (especially to God), treat; occurs in 1:44; 2:4; 10:13] him [G846: αὐτός; autos; 1. self; occurs 449 times in Mark] because [G1223: διά; dia; 1. through; occurs 26 times in Mark] of the crowd [G3793: ὄχλος; ochlos; 1. a throng (as borne along) 2. (by implication) the rabble 3. (by extension) a class of people 4. (figuratively) a riot; occurs 36 times in Mark], they removed [G648: ἀποστεγάζω; apostegazo; 3rd plural aorist indicative active; 1. to unroof; occurs in 2:4] the roof [G4721: στέγη; stege; 1. a roof; occurs in 2:4] above him, and [G2532: καί; kai; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in Mark] when they had made an opening [G1846: ἔξορυσσω; exorusso; masculine plural nominative aorist participle active; 1. to dig out 2. (by extension) to extract (an eye), remove (roofing); occurs in 2:4], they let down [G5465: χαλάω; chalao; 3rd plural present indicative active; 1. to lower (as into a void); occurs in 2:4] the bed [G2895: κράββατος; krabbatos; 1. a mattress; occurs in 2:4; 2:9; 2:11; 2:12; 6:55] on [G1909: ἐπί; epi; 1. (properly meaning superimposition (of time, place, order, etc.) 2. (genitive case) as a relation of distribution (over, upon, etc.) 3. (dative case) of rest (at, on, etc.) 4. (accusative case) of direction (towards, upon, etc.); occurs 70 times in Mark] [G3739: ὃς; hos; 1. the relatively
(sometimes demonstrative) pronoun, who, which, what, that; occurs 68 times in Mark] which the paralytic [G3885: παραλυτικός; paralutikos; 1. as if dissolved, i.e. "paralytic"; occurs in 2:3; 2:4; 2:5; 2:9; 2:10] lay [G2621: κατάκειμαι; katakeimai; 3rd singular imperfect indicative middle or passive deponent; 1. to lie down 2. (by implication) be sick 3. (specially) to recline at a meal; occurs in 1:30; 2:4; 2:15; 14:3]. 5 And [G2532: καί; kai; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in Mark] when [G1161: δὲ; de; 1. but, and, etc.; occurs 133 times in Mark] Jesus [G2424: Ἰησοῦς; lesous; 1. Jesus (i.e. Jehoshua), the name of our Lord and two (three) other Israelites; occurs 79 times in Mark] saw [G3708: ὁράω; horao; masculine singular nominative 2nd aorist participle active; 1. (properly) to stare at 2. (by implication) to discern clearly (physically or mentally) 3. (by extension) to attend to 4. (by Hebraism) to experience 5. (passively) to appear; occurs 50 times in Mark] their [G846: αὐτός; autos; 1. self; occurs 449 times in Mark] faith [G4102: πίστις; pistis; 1. persuasion, i.e. credence 2. (morally) conviction (of religious truth, or the truthfulness of God or a religious teacher) 3. (especially) reliance upon Christ for salvation 4. (abstractly) constancy in such profession 5. (by extension) the system of religious (Gospel) truth itself; occurs in 2:5; 4:40; 5:34; 10:52; 11:22], he said [G3004: λέγω; lego; 3rd singular present indicative active; 1. (properly) to "lay" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean; occurs 238 times in Mark] to the paralytic [G3885: παραλυτικός; paralutikos; 1. as if dissolved, i.e. "paralytic"; occurs in 2:3; 2:4; 2:5; 2:9; 2:10], “Son [G5043: τέκνον; tekon; 1. a child (as produced); occurs in 2:5; 7:27 (2); 10:24; 10:29; 10:30; 12:19; 13:12 (2)], your [G4771: σὺ; su; 1. thou; occurs 111 times in Mark] sins [G266: ἁμαρτία; hamartia; 1. a sin; occurs in 1:4; 1:5; 2:5; 2:7; 2:9; 2:10] are forgiven [G863: ἁφίημι; aphiemi; 3rd plural present indicative passive; 1. to send forth; occurs 33 times in Mark].” 6 Now [G1161: δὲ; de; 1. but, and, etc.; occurs 133 times in Mark] some [G5100: τίς; tis; 1. some or any person or object; occurs 24 times in Mark] of the scribes [G1122: γραμματεύς; grammateus; 1. a writer 2. (professionally) scribe or secretary; occurs 21 times in Mark] were [G1510: εἶμι; eimi; 3rd plural imperfect indicative active; 1. I exist; occurs 163 times in Mark] sitting [G2521: καθήμενος; kathemai; masculine plural nominative present participle middle or passive deponent; 1. to sit down 2. (figuratively) to remain, reside; occurs 11 times in Mark] in [G1161: ἐν; en; 1. (thou, etc.) was (was or were); occurs 47 times in Mark] hearts [G2588: καρδία; kardia; 1. the heart 2. (figuratively) the thoughts or feelings (mind) 3. (by analogy) the middle; occurs 11 times in Mark], 7 “Why [G5101: τίς; tis; 1. an interrogative pronoun, who, which or what (in direct or indirect questions); occurs 64 times in Mark] does this [G3778: οὗτος; houtos; 1. the he (she or it), i.e. this or that (often with article repeated); occurs 62 times in Mark] man speak [G2980: λαλέω; laleo; 3rd singular present indicative active; 1. to talk, i.e. utter words; occurs 18 times in Mark] like that [G3779: οὗτως; houtos; 1. in this way (referring to what precedes or follows); occurs in 2:7; 2:8; 2:12; 4:40; 7:18; 10:43; 13:29; 14:59; 15:39]? He is blaspheming [G987: ὄρασις; blasphemoe; 3rd singular present indicative active; 1. to vilify 2. (specially) to speak irreverently; occurs in 2:7; 3:28; 3:29; 15:29]! Who [G5101: τίς; tis; 1. an interrogative pronoun, who, which or what (in direct or indirect questions);
occurs 64 times in Mark] can [G1410: δύναμα; dunami; 3rd singular present indicative middle or passive deponent; 1. to be able or possible; occurs 30 times in Mark] forgive [G863: ἀφίημι; aphiemi; present infinitive active; 1. to send forth; occurs 33 times in Mark] sins [G266: ἁμαρτία; hamartia; 1. a sin; occurs in 1:4; 1:5; 2:5; 2:7; 2:9; 2:10] but [G1487: οί; ei; 1. if, whether, that, etc.; occurs 24 times in Mark] [G3361: μή; me; 1. (adverb) not 2. (conjunction) lest 3. (interrogative) whether; occurs 52 times in Mark] God [G2316: θεός; theos; 1. a deity 2. (figuratively) a magistrate 3. (by Hebraism) very; occurs 42 times in Mark] alone [G1520: εἷς; heis; 1. one; occurs 29 times in Mark]?” 8 And [G2532: καί; kai; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in Mark] immediately [G2117: εὐθύς; ethus; 1. straight 2. (literally) level 3. (figuratively) true 4. (adverbially of time) at once; occurs 36 times in Mark] Jesus [G2424: Ἰησοῦς; lesous; 1. Jesus (i.e. Jehoshua), the name of our Lord and two (three) other Israelites; occurs 79 times in Mark], perceiving [G1921: ἐπιγινώσκω; epiginosko; masculine singular nominative 2nd aorist participle active; 1. to know upon some mark, i.e. recognize 2. (by implication) to become fully acquainted with, to acknowledge; occurs in 2:8; 5:30; 6:33; 6:54] in [G1722: ἐν; en; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 111 times in Mark] his [G846: αὐτός; autos; 1. self; occurs 449 times in Mark] spirit [G4151: πνεῦμα; pneuma; 1. a current of air, i.e. breath (blast) or a breeze 2. (by analogy or figuratively) a spirit 3. (humanly) the rational soul 4. (by implication) vital principle, mental disposition, etc. 5. (superhumanly) an angel, demon 6. (divinely) God, Christ’s spirit, the Holy Spirit; occurs 22 times in Mark] that [G3754: ὅτι; hoti; 1. (demonstrative) that (sometimes redundant) 2. (causative) because; occurs 49 times in Mark] they thus [G3779: οὕτως; houtos; 1. in this way (referring to what precedes or follows); occurs in 2:7; 2:8; 2:12; 4:40; 7:18; 10:43; 13:29; 14:59; 15:39] questioned [G1260: διαλογίζομαι; dialogizomai; 3rd plural present indicative middle or passive deponent; 1. to reckon thoroughly 2. (genitive case) to deliberate (by reflection or discussion); occurs in 2:6; 2:8 (2); 8:16; 8:17; 9:33; 11:31] within [G1722: ἐν; en; 1. "in," at, (up-)on, by, etc.; occurs 111 times in Mark] themselves [G1438: ἑαυτοῦ; heautou; 1. self (selves); occurs 23 times in Mark], said [G3004: λέγω; lego; 3rd singular present indicative active; 1. (properly) to "lay" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean; occurs 82 times in Mark] to them [G846: αὐτός; autos; 1. self; occurs 449 times in Mark], “Why [G5101: τίς; tis; 1. an interrogative pronoun, who, which or what (in direct or indirect questions); occurs 64 times in Mark] in your [G4771: σὺ; su; 1. thou; occurs 111 times in Mark] in your [G5216: ὑμῶν; humon; 1. of (from or concerning) you; occurs 12 times in Mark] hearts [G2588: καρδία; kardia; 1. the heart 2. (figuratively) the thoughts or feelings (mind) 3. (by analogy) the middle; occurs 11 times in Mark]? 9 Which [G5101: τίς; tis; 1. an interrogative pronoun, who, which or what (in direct or indirect questions); occurs 64 times in Mark] is [G1510: εἰμί; eimi; 3rd singular present indicative active; 1. I exist; occurs 163 times in Mark] easier [G2123: εὐκοπώτερος; eukopoteros; 1. better for toil, i.e. more facile; occurs in 2:9; 10:25], to say [G3004: λέγω; lego; 2nd aorist infinitive active; 1. (properly) to "lay" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean;
occurs 238 times in Mark [G2036: ἔπιω; ἐπο; 1. to speak or say (by word or writing); occurs 82 times in Mark] to the paralytic [G3885: παραλυτικός; paralutikos; 1. as if dissolved, i.e. "paralytic"; occurs in 2:3; 2:4; 2:5; 2:9; 2:10], ‘Your [G4771: σὺ; σου; 1. thou; occurs 111 times in Mark] [G4675: σοῦ; σου; 1. of thee, thy; occurs 28 times in Mark] sins [G266: ἁμαρτία; hamartia; 1. a sin; occurs in 1:4; 1:5; 2:5; 2:7; 2:9; 2:10] are forgiven [G863: ἄφιημι; aphieimi; 3rd plural present indicative passive; 1. to send forth; occurs 33 times in Mark],’ or [G2228: ἐ; e; 1. (disjunctive) or 2. (comparative) than.; occurs 21 times in Mark] to say [G3004: λέγω; lego; 2nd aorist infinitive active; 1. (properly) to "say" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean; occurs 238 times in Mark] [G2036: ἔπιω; ἐπο; 1. to speak or say (by word or writing); occurs 82 times in Mark], ‘Rise [G1453: ἐγείρω; egeiro; 2nd singular present imperative either middle or passive; 1. to awaken 2. (literally) rouse from sleep, from sitting or lying, from disease, from death 3. (figuratively) rouse from obscurity, inactivity, ruins, nonexistence; occurs 19 times in Mark], take [G142: αἱρω; airo; 2nd singular aorist imperative active; 1. to lift up 2. (by implication) to take up or away 3. (figuratively) to raise (the voice), keep in suspense (the mind) 4. (specially) to sail away (i.e. weigh anchor) 5. (by Hebraism) to atone for sin; occurs 20 times in Mark] up your bed [G2895: κράββατος; krabbatos; 1. a mattress; occurs in 2:4; 2:9; 2:11; 2:12; 6:55] and [G2532: καί; kai; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in Mark] walk [G4043: περιπατέω; peripateo; 2nd singular present imperative active; 1. to tread all around, i.e. walk at large (especially as proof of ability) 2. (figuratively) to live, deport oneself, follow (as a companion or votary); occurs in 2:9; 5:42; 6:48; 6:49; 7:5; 8:24; 11:27; 12:38; 16:12]? 10 But [G1161: δέ; de; 1. but, and, etc.; occurs 133 times in Mark] that [G2443: ἵνα; hina; 1. in order that (denoting the purpose or the result); occurs 42 times in Mark] you may know [G1492: εἰδω; eidoe; 2nd plural perfect subjunctive active; 1. (properly) to see 2. (by implication, in the perfect tense only) to know; occurs 21 times in Mark] that [G3754: ὅτι; hoti; 1. (demonstrative) that (sometimes redundant) 2. (causative) because; occurs 49 times in Mark] the Son [G5207: υἱός; huios; 1. a "son" (sometimes of animals); occurs 33 times in Mark] of Man [G444: ἄνθρωπος; anthropos; 1. (properly) man-faced 2. (concretely) a human being (man or female) 3. (generally) all human beings 4. (indefinitely) a man, someone, one; occurs 47 times in Mark] has [G2192: ἔχω; echo; 3rd singular present indicative active; 1. to hold (such as possession, ability, continuity, relation, or condition); occurs 57 times in Mark] authority [G1849: ἐξουσία; exousia; 1. privilege 2. (subjectively) force, capacity, competency, freedom 3. (objectively) mastery (concretely, magistrate, superhuman, potentate, token of control), delegated influence; occurs in 1:22; 1:27; 2:10; 3:15; 6:7; 11:28 (2); 11:29; 11:33; 13:34] on [G1909: ἐπὶ; epi; 1. (properly) meaning superimposition (of time, place, order, etc.) 2. (genitive case) as a relation of distribution (over, upon, etc.) 3. (dative case) of rest (at, on, etc.) 4. (accusative case) of direction (towards, upon, etc.); occurs 70 times in Mark] earth [G1093: γῆ; ge; 1. soil 2. (by extension) a region, or the solid part or the whole of the earthly globe (including the occupants in each application); occurs 17 times in Mark] to forgive [G863: ἄφιημι; aphieimi; present infinitive active; 1. to send forth; occurs 33 times in Mark] sins [G266: ἁμαρτία; hamartia; 1. a sin; occurs in 1:4; 1:5; 2:5; 2:7; 2:9; 2:10] —he said [G3004: λέγω; lego; 3rd singular present indicative active; 1. (properly) to "say" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean; occurs 238 times in Mark] to the paralytic [G3885: παραλυτικός; paralutikos; 1. as if dissolved, i.e. "paralytic"; occurs in 2:3; 2:4; 2:5; 2:9; 2:10] — I say [G3004: λέγω; lego; 1st singular present indicative active; 1. (properly) to "say" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean; occurs 238 times in Mark] — he said [G3004: λέγω; lego; 3rd singular present indicative active; 1. (properly) to "lay" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean; occurs 238 times in Mark].
**Mark** to you [G4771: σῦ; su; 1. thou; occurs 111 times in **Mark**] [G4671: σοί; soi; 1. to thee; occurs 22 times in **Mark**], rise [G1453: ἐγείρω; egeiro; 2nd singular present imperative active; 1. to waken 2. (literally) rouse from sleep, from sitting or lying, from disease, from death 3. (figuratively) rouse from obscurity, inactivity, ruins, nonexistence; occurs 19 times in **Mark**], pick [G142: αἴρω; airo; 2nd singular aorist imperative active; 1. to lift up 2. (by implication) to take up or away 3. (figuratively) to raise (the voice), keep in suspense (the mind) 4. (specially) to sail away (i.e. weigh anchor) 5. (by Hebraism) to atone for sin; occurs 20 times in **Mark**] up your [G4771: σῦ; su; 1. thou; occurs 111 times in **Mark**] bed [G2895: κράββατος; krabbatos; 1. a mattress; occurs in 2:4; 2:9; 2:11; 2:12; 6:55] and [G2532: καί; kai; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in **Mark**] go [G5217: ὑπάγω; hupago; 2nd singular present imperative active; 1. to lead (oneself) under, i.e. withdraw or retire (as if sinking out of sight); occurs 15 times in **Mark**] home [G4771: σῦ; su; 1. thou; occurs 111 times in **Mark**] up your [G4771: σῦ; su; 1. thou; occurs 111 times in **Mark**] and immediately [G2112: εὐθέως; euteos; 1. directly, i.e. at once or soon; occurs in 2:12; 6:27] picked [G142: αἴρω; airo; masculine singular nominative participle active; 1. to lift up 2. (by implication) to take up or away 3. (figuratively) to raise (the voice), keep in suspense (the mind) 4. (specially) to sail away (i.e. weigh anchor) 5. (by Hebraism) to atone for sin; occurs 20 times in **Mark**] in his bed [G2895: κράββατος; krabbatos; 1. a mattress; occurs in 2:4; 2:9; 2:11; 2:12; 6:55] and [G2532: καί; kai; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in **Mark**] he rose [G1453: ἐγείρω; egeiro; 3rd singular aorist indicative passive; 1. to waken 2. (literally) rouse from sleep, from sitting or lying, from disease, from death 3. (figuratively) rouse from obscurity, inactivity, ruins, nonexistence; occurs 19 times in **Mark**] and immediately [G2112: εὐθέως; euteos; 1. directly, i.e. at once or soon; occurs in 2:12; 6:27] them all [G3956: πᾶς; pas; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 62 times in **Mark**], so that [G5620: ὅποτε; hoste; 1. so too, i.e. thus therefore (in various relations of consecution, as follow); occurs 13 times in **Mark**] they were all [G3956: πᾶς; pas; 1. all, any, every, the whole; occurs 62 times in **Mark**] amazed [G1839: ἐξέστησα; exerchomai; 3rd singular 2nd aorist indicative active; 1. to issue; occurs 40 times in **Mark**] glorified [G1392: δοξάζω; doxazai; present infinitive middle; 1. to put (stand) out of wits, i.e. astound 2. (reflexively) become astounded, insane; occurs in 2:12; 3:21; 5:42; 6:51] and [G2532: καί; kai; 1. and, also, even, so then, too, etc.; occurs 531 times in **Mark**] saying [G3004: λέγω; lego; masculine plural accusative present participle active; 1. (properly) to "lay" forth 2. (figuratively) to relate 3. (by implication) to mean; occurs 238 times in **Mark**], “We never [G3763: οὐδὲποτε; oudepote; 1. not even at any time, i.e. never at all; occurs in 2:12; 2:25] saw [G3708: ὅραω; horao; 1st plural 2nd aorist indicative active; 1. (properly) to stare at 2. (by implication) to discern clearly (physically or mentally) 3. (by extension) to attend to 4. (by Hebraism) to experience 5. (passively) to appear; occurs 50 times in **Mark**] anything like [G3779: οὕτω; huto; 1. in this way (referring to what precedes or follows); occurs in 2:7; 2:8; 2:12; 4:40; 7:18; 10:43; 13:29; 14:59; 15:39] this!”
Apply (What is the point?)

Personalize (What do we do with that?)

Our schedule plan
Next week we’ll start with Mark 2:____, and we’ll go until we’re finished.

Homework
1. Pray for help in understanding Mark
2. Hear Mark multiple times
3. Think about Mark often (day and night)
4. Talk with someone (dead or alive) about Mark
5. Share your insights about Mark
6. Invite a member and a non-member

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