CLARITY discussion guide *Sunday, January 19, 2020* **Epiphany:** Gospel Freedom Luke 5:17-26

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BELONG

Do you have a friend who would do anything for you? Who is it? How did you become such good friends? Share about a time that they helped you out when you were in a bind. The friends of the paralyzed man went to great lengths to see their friend healed by Jesus. How can you pursue God on behalf of those around you? How are you bringing them before Jesus?

What is something you have been thankful for recently? How does this passage help you see Jesus more clearly?

GROW

Read Luke 5:17-26.

Why do you think the paralyzed man's friends are so determined to get him in front of Jesus? What do you think the Pharisees and religious leaders were thinking in verses 17-19? What would you think if someone cut a hole in the roof to get into your community group or your church's worship service?

How is Jesus' response in verse 20 surprising? What do you think the paralyzed man and his friends were thinking when Jesus said that? How do you think the Pharisees felt when Jesus read their minds and responded to their thoughts?

Who do you relate to most in the story: the friends, the paralyzed man, or the Pharisees?

What do you need to bring before Jesus to be healed? What spiritual brokenness can you ask Him to heal today?

How does knowing your sin is forgiven give you hope when your circumstances are difficult? How can you respond to Jesus in awe and worship, glorifying God for what He has done?

Connect DAILY

Sunday	Luke 5:17-26
Monday	Luke 5:27-39; Psalm 26:1-4; Proverbs 3:4-6
Tuesday	Matthew 15:1-28; Psalm 26:5-12; Proverbs 3:7-9
Wednesday	Matthew 15:29-16:12; Psalm 27:1-6; Proverbs 3:10-12
Thursday	Matthew 16:13-17:13; Psalm 27:7-14; Proverbs 3:13-15
Friday	Matthew 17:14-18:14; Psalm 28; Proverbs 3:16-18
Saturday	Matthew 18:15-35; Psalm 29:1-4; Proverbs 3:19-21

ISCA Meals

The International Student Christian Association meets in their residence on campus every Tuesday evening for fellowship and worship. A meal is provided to this gathering of 30-40 international students and ISCA staff. Groups can simply drop off the food or, preferably, spend the evening with this gathering and engage with the students. Click here to go to the Take Them a Meal site to see available dates and sign up.