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 ${\mathcal W}$ elcome to Jesus Time where we spend time with Jesus in His time and culture.

母 Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Psalm 32:1 KJV

As predicted by the Major Old Testament Prophet Jeremiah:

I will cleanse them from all the sin they have committed against me and will forgive all their sins of rebellion against me. "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

Jeremiah 33:8 & 31:34 NIV

Why?

廿 I,I Am He

Who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins.

Isaiah 43:25 ESV

Literally GOD can forgive and then willfully forget our Sin for His peace of mind because GOD knows our limitations and our weakness because it was He- who made us from the dust of the Earth. "The Spirit is willing (to live GODLY) but the flesh is weak." (quoting Jesus from Matthew 26:41)

We were created as living beings with an eternal soul capable of Spiritual life once restored by Christ to love, learn, & discern by our own free will with the GODLY characteristics of intellect, empathy, & compassion.

You see we- as in human beings, & the Angelic host were designed to literally be GOD'S Family. We desire family because this is a Heavenly instilled trait within us and a natural GOD given order of things by our Almighty Triune GOD. One GOD who is three so He knows the meaning of family.

Apart from GOD and our GOD given family, we have an empty hole within our Soul- that nothing nor anyone can ever properly fill. This is by GOD'S design we are meant to be beings of His light & Love.

Jesus can and does forgives Sin, so on with this lesson we now begin:

This miracle by Jesus our Christ is the first time in which the Lord begins to factor in the Spiritual reckoning of His Ministry. Meaning Spiritual restoration is ever more important than any of physical miracles of Jesus's healings.

Again Jesus miracles were simply proof of His Deity and evidence of the truth of His Words.

These passages are from all 3 of the Synoptic Gospel accounts of a paralyzed man brought before

Jesus when He returned to Capernaum. For full meaning these passages are all combined together.

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Jesus stepped into a boat, crossed over (Sea of Galilee) and came to his own town. Jesus came back to Capernaum when a few days later, it was heard that He was at home many were gathered together, so that there was no longer space, not even near the door; On one of those days, as he was teaching, there were Pharisees and teachers of the law sitting by, who had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem;

Jesus has for a time returned to His new adoptive home of Capernaum.

Specifically fishermen Peter and Andrews family residences.

Remember ruins of this home still do exist to this day and Peter's home was comprised of several smaller individual structures that surrounded a larger common building with an inner courtyard.

This entire complex which archeology confirms, Peter will later convert the "Big" house into a Church. On this day as Jesus Himself was teaching- Peter's house was overflowing and teeming with people jam packed it was with religious authorities from as far away as Jerusalem.

When the word got out that Christ and His Disciples had returned from Jesus's first combined walking & boating tour throughout Galilee. One of healing and teaching praying and preaching.

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He was speaking the word to them and the power of the Lord was with him to heal. And some people came, bringing to Him a man who was paralyzed, on a bed carried by four men and they sought to bring him in and lay him before Jesus.

Using the GOD given trait of compassion this paralyzed man was very fortunate on this day to be carried by four men while being escorted by a small crowd of his very own albeit late before Jesus because the Lord had already started speaking unto the Capernaum crowd.

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And when they were unable to get to Him because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and after digging an opening, they let him down with his bed through the tiles into the midst before Jesus.

(Having tiles and not paving meant this was not a flat roof.)

House tops in the Middle East at this time were flat as they were accessible by stairs on the outside of the home because the roof was a common living space much like how a patio is used by us today. The roof back then was even used as a sleeping area during the hot summer months.

The "road of roofs" as it was known in Capernaum; meant one could literally walk house to house in town by rooftop alone. By Law rooftops had to be paved by stone or brick and have a 3' railing.

Still it is not to hard for us to imagine Peter's anger & the conflicting guilt that he must have had for being aggrieved at seeing desperate people literally tearing his house apart in order to get to Jesus.

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heta When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the man,

"Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven."

Within the original Greek: the Gospels of each Matthew & Mark do record that Jesus actually called the paralyzed man (His) child using the Greek word 5043 "Tekvov" which actually has a root word of 5098 which means a child under parental punishment.

## Get that?

Jesus just called this handicapped man His child.

Obviously not as His human offspring but rather as being born by Christ's Divine Creation.

Of course as too this man being physically handicapped scripture does not say if the man was born this way or if by disease or an accident had made him this way.

Either way the Pharisees would certainly ascertain this man now being paralyzed as for them, it would mean that he had some dreadful secret sin placing him under a Sin curse before Holy GOD.

The truth be told all of our sickness, disease, and troubles as a race- do extend as too our fall collectively from Grace. As in born in a Sinful state. This be why we need Spiritual redemption & restoration. Get that? Because Sin is in- each of us & this is Why? we get sick, age, & then we die. This is the reason that Jesus called this man HIS son by a reference that indicated a young child under parental punishment- because Christ knows the evils of Sin befalls upon everyone. While for the first time Jesus explains that the impossible physical healing of this man also indeed demonstrates His authority to heal and restore our Spiritual aspects such as forgiveness of our Sin. You see the Pharisees were wholly incapable of restoring this man either physically or Spiritually.

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杂 And the scribes and the Pharisees some teachers of the law, were sitting there and thinking it over in their hearts "Who is this that speaks blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God only? Immediately aware in His spirit knowing their thoughts, Jesus said, "Why do you entertain evil thoughts in your hearts? Blasphemy means speaking evilly of GOD or taking claim of something that is of GOD. The Divine within Jesus knew these learned men were thinking Christ was speaking Blasphemy. Get That? The GOD in Christ Jesus hears our very thoughts and He knows our hearts motivation. As such Jesus quickly points out that it was actually they- the scribes and Pharisee's whom were committing evil, meaning He- Christ our Lord, informed them that He does in fact have the authority to forgive Sin. As in He is Deity. Meaning He has all the privileges of Deity this entails the including of His ability to supernaturally heal and of course to Spiritually forgive Sin. Here we have a Biblical turning point by which Theologians do recognize that Jesus is now deliberately advancing His Ministry from His initial public presentation of consideration as the Messiah, into the unavoidable controversy with Israel's corrupt religious elite. You see for Jesus by the Grace of Faith alone to offer instant forgiveness of Sin-this was a direct threat unto the pious religious leadership. Who controlled the public with fear and oppression by installing a massive superstition of tradition system using manmade works for Sin atonement. Including the requirement that the people must pay vast sums of money to them for forgiveness. As for the regular people themselves at this time, they embraced Jesus's contention with the

Which is easier, to say to the paralyzed man, 'Your sins are forgiven'; or to say, 'Get up, and pick up your pallet and walk'? <sup>10</sup> But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—He said to the paralyzed man, "I say to you, get up, pick up your pallet, and go home." And he got up and immediately picked up the pallet and went out in the sight of everyone, so that they were all amazed and were glorifying God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!" and they praised God, who had given such authority to man.

oppressive religious leadership, at least this will be until He- Christ our Lord commands more from

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them, those whom would Believe in Him.

Imagine the shock to those present when Jesus restored someone who everyone knew was paralyzed. This claiming of Spiritual authority by Christ is a clear demonstration that Jesus was proving without words with the actually physical healing of this man that He was THE Son of GOD, as in GOD Divine born human. The paralyzed man and his helpers all believed that Jesus could heal him & they were rewarded for their Faith. Furthermore; everyone present understood when Jesus said that He had the authority to forgive Sin- this meant Jesus was THE Messiah. Unspoken by direct Words but proven by Christ's action and the peoples reaction, as too GOD's presence personally incarnate within Jesus's human flesh.

GOD'S Word takes Sin as deadly Spiritually.

So what is Sin?

It is guilt. We are all guilty of wrong- of our evil, before a Holy pure and just GOD.

Sin is in each and every one of us, born of the Sinful human race in a state of Spiritual disgrace.

You say prove it, well ok-

We as parents do not have to teach our children how to be bad but we do have to spend years teaching our young how to be good. Selfishness comes naturally within our Sin nature.

GOD knows we cannot help to be born in Sin but He has provided for us His one and only "Way" not to continue to exist and then perish in and of Sin.

Sanctification as in purified from our Sin is each instant at Salvation because of the presence of the Holy Spirit while Sanctifying is also a life long process by which we learn and grow Spiritually. So this means we will stumble and we will fall but most important of all- is our growth Spiritually in and for the Lord. We will fail but through GOD within us- we have already Spiritually prevailed!

Before me at this very moment are two very large & overly complex Biblical dictionary's each having multiple pages listing the different sins we as human beings harbor in our hearts, minds, & desires. Each in action, motivation, or even by the omission of what we should do but we do not do. Sins by apathy of neglect or by selfish pride on the inside. These lists are overwhelming.

However do we really need to sift through pages of commentary upon the Biblical Doctrine of Sin? When; one simple line from a book titled "Bible answers for almost all your questions" will suffice:

"Sin is an act, attitude, or response against the person or Law of God."

In simple words all wrong is ultimately against GOD alone.

Because it is His moral code of conduct that we are breaking when we do any wrong no matter what we have done, or failed to do, or upon whomever we do it to.

This is because all morality and ethics are our Divine Creators right and He is absolute.

Therefore His Law is never open to our interpretation nor anyone's subjugation.

The Creator of all time and existence is forever more the final supremacy of sovereignty. Again our very existence and the Words and Works of Jesus our Christ proves GOD to be True.

Remember all Sin is ultimately atoned for- either by Christ on our behalf, or placed upon those unrepentant within their Sin forever. Such as these will be by their own free will- forever separated from GOD for His and our peace of mind & then to be forgotten by Him & by us as in GOD'S family.

Why? Because by GOD'S Law- in the end my friend, no one gets away with anything. Meaning Jesus is either your Savior or your judge.

He alone has the authority to forgive Sin, meaning we must accept and believe in Him to be forgiven.

The Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son, <sup>26</sup> For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself, <sup>27</sup> and has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of man.

( We are born with Body Mind and eternal Soul but Spiritual Life is by Christ alone.) John 5: 22 & 26 RSV

As per GOD'S Law the Messiah was born Divine from Heaven above and He lived a Sinless life and then as our Sin atoning Christ, Jesus willingly laid down His perfect sinless life for us-paying our Sin debt before Holy GOD, as in for those who believe in Him & accept Him as their redeeming Savior.

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 6:23 KIV