



# LIFEWAY LITE

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## Ice breakers

If you were on death row, what would your last meal be?

What was the high and low of your week?

## Main Idea

We all need people to carry our mat! Biblical community is lived out looks like people stopping at nothing to pursue Christ together. Your community should be carrying you to Jesus. When we experience trial, transition, and tragedy, our communities carry us to Jesus.

## Weekly Challenge

Devote Daily- Share something you're reading in the Bible with your group this week! Share the passage, and what God is teaching you through it!

## Key Verses- Mark 2:1-5

When Jesus returned to Capernaum several days later, the news spread quickly that he was back home. Soon the house where he was staying was so packed with visitors that there was no more room, even outside the door. While he was preaching God's word to them, four men arrived carrying a paralyzed man on a mat. They couldn't bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, so they dug a hole through the roof above his head. Then they lowered the man on his mat, right down in front of Jesus. Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the paralyzed man, "My child, your sins are forgiven."

## Discussion Questions

- 1) Why can't you follow Jesus all by yourself?
- 2) How has your Lifegroup helped each other through trials, transitions, and tragedies?
- 3) Why were the paralyzed man's friends willing to bring him to Jesus? What did they believe about Jesus?
- 4) What are the characteristics of a great Lifegroup? If somebody wasn't in a Lifegroup, why should they join one?
- 5) How does your life look different because of your community?
- 6) DIG DEEPER- The paralyzed man's friends clearly saw his need for healing. Is there something in your life that needs healing, that your Lifegroup doesn't know about? Does your Lifegroup know your hurts, habits, and hangups?