

**Student Questions**  
**Read Mark 2:1-12 Each Day**

**Monday:** Why are people so resistant to authority? **Note** that the sinful nature of all men is to resist all authority and worship himself by making himself his own authority.

**Tuesday:** Why is Christ's authority a central message of the gospel? **Note** that it is by His authority as God that He forgives sin.

**Wednesday:** What have you heard is the main idea of Mark 2:1-12; in other words, if someone asked, "What is this text about?" What would you answer?

**Thursday:** What are some false reasons we, as believers, may give to lost people to get them to "come to Jesus"? Why is offering such reasons dangerous?

**Friday:** What might some people without Christ believe they most need? Why is it necessary to always give the gospel when helping those who cannot help themselves?

Small Group Discussion

1. How do these verses reveal that the central person in salvation is not man but God?
2. What would you say to a person, based on this text, who presents a gospel that communicates a man-centered purpose for salvation?
3. What are specific ways you can minister to lost people's physical needs and by doing so share a clear gospel message with them?