



Go Beyond Borders by Faith Alone in Christ Alone!

Mark 2:1-12

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Crossing borders is in the news...

- San Diego-Tijuana is busiest border crossing in America: 50,000 cars and 20,000 people every day. 21 lanes going into the US
- Crossing borders can be risky, even dangerous.
- Crossing borders can be exciting, even life-changing.

7 Ways We Bridge the Gap to All Peoples by Faith Alone in Christ Alone

1. They were **CONCERNED** about someone they knew.

Are you concerned about the people around you?
Do you pray for them?
Correct theology leads to this kind of prayer

2. They were **COOPERATIVE** with one another.

No weak links – they all carried their part of the load.
Everyone has a role and part to play.
Every person is important but no one is irreplaceable.
Each one being faithful but for the greater purpose of bridging the gap between the lost and Christ: All for the fame of HIS NAME not our name!

3. They were willing to **CROSS** borders and breaking through barriers.

Outer boundary was the ROOF! Their friend needed to get to Jesus but was PARALYZED!

We need to take Jesus to those who are spiritually paralyzed: Praying, sending, going, giving, welcoming, mobilizing out of a heart of love!

Messiah is the exclusive way but the message is inclusive for everyone!

Methods are diverse and only limited by the character of the Messiah and the content of the message!

4. They were **CREATIVE** in crossing borders and breaking through barriers.

They counted the cost and took the risk!

5. Christ chose to **CONVERT** the spiritually dead and not just heal the physically sick!

Matthew 28:18-20

This is the greater miracle and our greatest need!

Christ alone can do this! Who is Jesus? All authority is MINE!

6. Christ uses our **CONFIDENCE** in Him to enlarge our borders and bridge the gap to all peoples.

2 Corinthians 10:13ff.

Faith alone in Christ alone is the way we are able to enlarge our borders and bridge the gap to people without Christ!

7. Now is the time to **COMMIT** to going beyond borders by faith alone in Christ alone!

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