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Many people came to hear Jesus teach. They crowded into the house. They even stood around the outside of the house. Some men came carrying their friend on a mat. Their friend couldn't move. He just had to lie on his mat.

The men wanted Jesus to help their friend, but they couldn't get through the crowd to bring their friend to Jesus. The men carried their friend up some stairs to the flat roof of the house. They dug a hole in the roof right over where Jesus was standing. They put ropes on their friend's mat. They carefully lowered the mat down in front of Jesus.

Jesus saw that the men believed in Him. Jesus told the man on the mat that his sins were forgiven. Then Jesus told him to get up. The man got up. He could walk! The crowd was amazed. They praised God!