

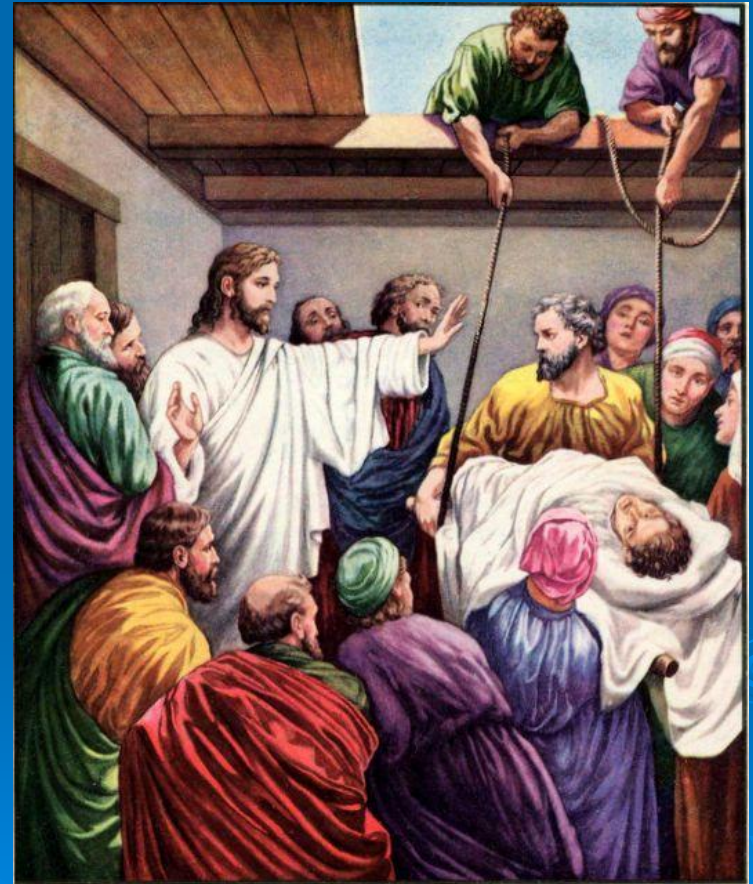
**When Jesus saw their
faith, He said to the
paralytic, “Son, your sins
are forgiven you.”**

Mark 2:5



❑ These four men and their positive attitude

- They worked something beyond words for their friend
- They did not give up when obstacles arose
- They worked together
- They were creative



❑ The Positivity of St. Peter (1)

- Denying the Lord Christ never led him to shy away from proclaiming his love to His master or witnessing to Him on every occasion.



□ The Positivity of St. Peter (2)

- St. Paul's rebuke to him never changed his love or admiration for him.

"...and consider that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation—as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you." 2 Peter 3:15



□ The Positivity of St. Peter ⁽³⁾

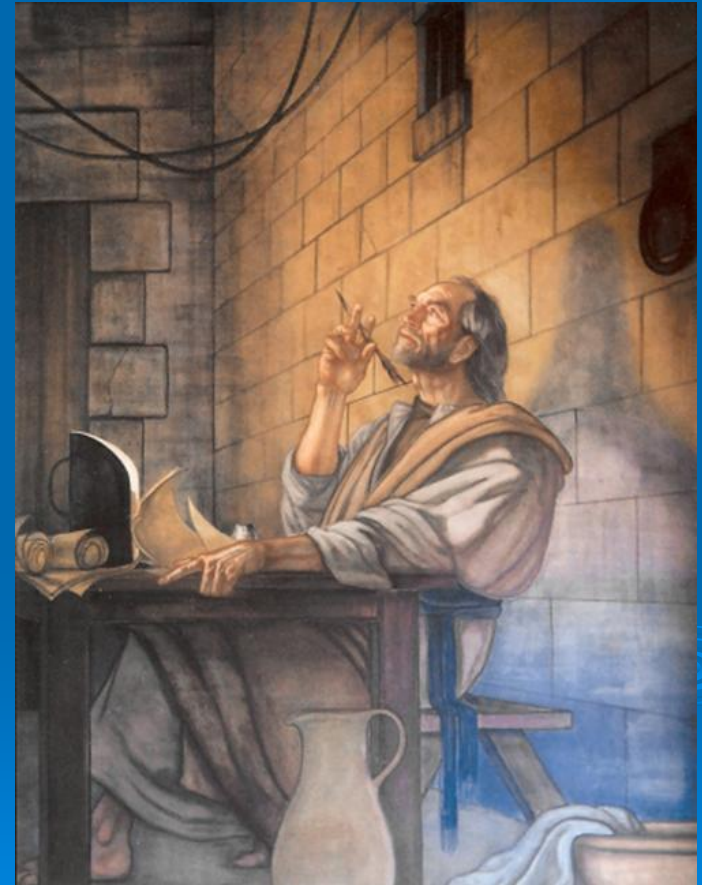
- He learned from his mistake and taught others to avoid falling into the same.
- 1. “Peter, seeing him, said to Jesus, ‘But Lord, what about this man?’ Jesus said to him, ‘If I will that he remain till I come, what is that to you? You follow Me.’”
John 21:21-22
- 2. “But let none of you suffer as a murderer, a thief, an evildoer, or as a busybody in other people’s matters.”
1 Peter 4:15

□ The Positivity of St. Paul ⁽¹⁾

- Shown always trying to reach a new high, rather than being content with whatever he achieved in his previous struggles.

1. “Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead.”

Philippians 3:13



□ The Positivity of St. Paul ⁽²⁾

- Also in his ability to revisit his ideas and impressions about others and change his mind. if necessary.

1. “Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful to me for ministry.” *2 Tim 4:11*



❑ Lessons from the Lord Christ

- In praising the honesty of the Samaritan woman
- In calling the ground that bears fruit a “good” ground, no matter how much fruit it brought forth.

