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# UNROOFING THE ROOF

Mark 2:1-12



Typical roof from NT times with roof roller



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Typical roof in NT times with grass growing on it





Ceiling of roof made of timber and reeds



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**"Their desperate desire to get their friend to the one person who could help him is more important than either the awkwardness of the narrative situation or the damage to property."**

**-R.T. France**

## What did these friends have?

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## **What did these friends have?**

1. Rope (tools)
2. Faith
3. Desperation



**In 1949 there were 4 million Christians in China.**

**What is the number today?**

**Probably 100 million.**



**"I'm not afraid of failure; I'm afraid of succeeding at things that don't matter. . . Expect great things from God, attempt great things for God. . . It is the duty of those who are entrusted with the Gospel to endeavor to make it known among all nations."**

**-William Carey, 18th Century Missionary**