

Mark 6:55

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

And ran through that whole region round about, and began to carry about in beds those that were sick, where they heard he was. News of Jesus' presence sparked immediate mobilization. They 'ran through that whole region' and 'began to carry about in beds those that were sick, where they heard he was.' This urgent response demonstrated desperate faith and recognition that Jesus was authentic healer. Carrying bedridden sick on pallets required significant effort, proving their conviction that Jesus could help when all else failed.

Historical Context

Ancient beds/pallets (κράβαττοι, krabattoi) were simple mats or lightweight frames that could be carried. The rapid mobilization—running throughout region, organizing sick transportation—showed efficient community communication and cooperation. Gennesaret's population density enabled quick word spread. Archaeological evidence shows first-century Palestinian villages were interconnected, news traveling rapidly through social networks.

Related Passages

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Study Questions

1. What does this verse teach about Christ's nature and work?
2. How should this truth shape our daily discipleship?

Interlinear Text

περιδραμόντες	ὅλην	τὴν	περίχωρον	ἐκείνην	ἤρξαντο	
And ran through	whole	G3588	region round about	that	and began	
G4063	G3650		G4066	G1565	G756	
ἐπὶ	τοῖς	κραβάτοις	τοὺς	κακῶς	ἔχοντας	περιφέρειν
in	G3588	beds	G3588	sick	those that were	to carry about
G1909		G2895		G2560	G2192	G4064
ὅπου	ἤκουον	ὅτι	ἐκεῖ	ἐστιν.		
where	they heard	he was	G1563	G2076		
G3699	G191	G3754				

Additional Cross-References

Matthew 4:24 (Parallel theme): And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them.