

# RUMOR

HAS IT

MAY 9/10

THE CHURCH  
JUST WANTS  
TO GET BIG

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## KEY SCRIPTURE

### Mark 2:17

"Healthy people don't need a doctor—sick people do. I have come to call not those who think they are righteous but those who know they are sinners."

### Galatians 2:20

My old self has been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me.

### Galatians 5:22-23

The Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

### 2 Corinthians 5:20

We are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, "Come back to God!"

### Mark 2:2-5

While he was preaching God's word to them, four men arrived carrying a paralyzed man on a mat. They couldn't bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, so they dug a hole through the roof above his head. Then they lowered the man on his mat, right down in front of Jesus. Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the paralyzed man, "My child, your sins are forgiven."

### Mark 2:11-12

Then Jesus turned to the paralyzed man and said, "Stand up, pick up your mat, and go home!" And the man jumped up, grabbed his mat, and walked out through the stunned onlookers. They were all amazed and praised God, exclaiming, "We've never seen anything like this before!"

## NOTES

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# DISCUSSION GUIDE



**RUMORS SPREAD LIKE WILDFIRE.** Eventually, we start to believe they're true, and that affects the way we act and treat others. For the next three weeks, we're going to talk about rumors that surround the Church—and specifically this church—and pull back the curtain to show you what's actually true.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What are the benefits of a church being both relevant and biblical in today's society?
2. People become owners when they get behind, embrace and support a mission as their own. On a scale of 1-10, how would you rate your current level of ownership at Eagle Brook and why? How can you continually grow in ownership?
3. Transformation is a work in progress. As a Christian, it should be our life long goal to constantly learn and grow so that we become more and more like Christ. Read Galatians 5:22-23. How are you doing in these areas? Which one or two do you need to work on the most?
4. A true sign of spiritual maturity is when we realize that church isn't about us. It's about how God wants to use you to transform others. Read Mark 2:2-12. How passionate are you about helping others come in contact with Jesus? If your passion level is low, what are some ways you can refuel it in the coming weeks and months?

## JOIN THE CONVERSATION

How has God transformed your life? Share about it on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram using **#EBCtruths**.

## COMMIT TO MEMORY

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