

“ THE HEALING AT THE POOL OF BETHSADA ”

(John 5:1-18)

I. The Ministry of Jesus Christ

A. His Galilean Ministry

B. His Trip to Jerusalem

The purpose of this episode is to record the firming of the Jewish leaders' _____ toward Jesus, the Messiah.

1. As chapter 5 opens, we find Jesus is in _____ at a Feast (John 5:1-9)
 - a. This account takes us back to Jerusalem, to a remarkable _____ at the Pool of Bethesda (5:1-2)
 - b. The “Pool of Bethesda” had 5 _____.
 - c. In the porches around the pool, lay a _____ of sick people _____ for the “moving of the water”.

*What is meant by the “*moving of the water*”?

- d. There was a particular man by the pool who had an infirmity for _____ (5:5)
- e. Jesus _____ he had been in that condition for a long time and asked him if he wanted to _____.(5:6)

*What did Jesus mean by the question, “*Do you want to be made well?*”

- f. The man’s response to Jesus is ... well, in any case interestingly: he does not say _____, or _____ –instead he gives his answer in the form of a _____ (5:7)

g. Jesus told the man “ _____, _____ your bed and _____ ”

- h. Amazingly, the man who was healed showed no sign of _____ in Jesus or even of _____ for what Jesus had done.

1. I believe this man was sovereignly chosen as an act of _____ because of his _____ & to display God's Glory through _____.

2. The Sabbath is Purposely _____ (John 5:10-18)

a. The Jews accused the cured man of Sabbath _____... for _____ His bed on the Sabbath.

*What was the significance of the Sabbath?

b. Jesus _____ did things on the Sabbath to _____ the Jewish leaders in their hypocrisy and self-righteousness.

c. Instead of _____ in the miracle that took place, the leaders' concern was that their Sabbath laws had been broken. This left them more convinced than ever that they really should get _____.

*Was Jesus concerned at all about this man's spiritual well being? (5:14)

d. Jesus sought him & charged Him about _____ in his life – remember your _____ sins; this was also a warning about _____ sins - maybe you should think about sin and it's dire _____ for a minute!

e. The healed man's defense before those who questioned him was to _____ blame from himself to _____.

f. "*for this reason*" (vs 16) – Jesus _____ their Sabbath rules & _____ the infirmed man on the Sabbath, the religious leaders sought to _____ & _____ the Lord Jesus (5:16)

* What does this mean to you?