

**“Do You Want To Be Healed?”**  
John 5:1-17

**JESUS WHO SEES. v.1-9**

**1. The pool of Bethesda in Jerusalem. v.1-3**

- v.2: “...in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate...”  
-near where the sheep were kept, bought & sold for temple sacrifice
- v.2: “...has five roofed colonnades...”
- v.3: a multitude of invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed.  
-Invalid = in-valid; I.e., ‘not valid’

**2. Dealing with a textual note – where is verse 4?**

- Some manuscripts include verse 4 (included in King James Version, translated in 1611)  
-“...waiting for the moving of the water; for an angel of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool, and stirred the water: whoever stepped in first after the stirring of the water was healed of whatever disease he had.”
- Likely... what began as a note in the margin of a translator’s copy... worked its way into the text.

**3. Encounter with Jesus... v.5-9.**

- Jesus found this man out. v.5-6a
- Jesus asked the question: Do you want to be healed? v.6b
- The man’s answer... v.7: “...I have no one...”
- Jesus healed the man. v.8-9  
-“...at once...” compared with 38 years

**4. Jesus who sees. v.5**

- Jesus “saw” him and “knew” the man had been there a long time.
- On the “feast day”... Jesus is here by the ‘service entrance’ to the city with the blind, lame, and paralyzed.
- Jesus came for the blind, lame, and paralyzed. It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. Mk 2:17
- Psalm 22:24: For he has not despised or abhorred the affliction of the afflicted, and he has not hidden his face from him, but has heard, when he cried to him.

**JESUS WHO SAVES. v.10-16**

**1. The religious leaders missed the miracle. v.10**

**2. The man who was healed didn’t even know who Jesus was! v.11-13**

**3. Jesus found the man again. v.14-17**

- What did Jesus say to him?
- Romans 5:6-10: <sup>6</sup> For **while we were still weak**, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—  
<sup>8</sup> but God shows his love for us in that **while we were still sinners**, Christ died for us.<sup>9</sup> Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup> For if **while we were enemies** we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.