

HEALING ON THE SABBATH ~ JOHN 5:1-15

→DVD Scripture John 5:1-15

JESUS RETURNS TO JERUSALEM ~ John 5:1-3

[1] Some time later, Jesus went up to Jerusalem for a feast of the Jews. [2] Now there is in Jerusalem near the Sheep Gate a pool, which in Aramaic is called Bethesda and which is surrounded by five covered colonnades. [3] Here a great number of disabled people used to lie--the blind, the lame, the paralyzed.

→Pool

DO YOU WANT TO BE HEALED? John 5:4-7

[5] One who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. [6] When Jesus saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time, he asked him, "Do you want to get well?" [7] "Sir," the invalid replied, "I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred. While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me."

APPLICATION

Isaiah 40:25-31 "To whom will you compare me? Or who is my equal?" says the Holy One. [26] Lift your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these? He who brings out the starry host one by one, and calls them each by name. Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing. [27] Why do you say, O Jacob, and complain, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord; my cause is disregarded by my God"? [28] Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. [29] He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. [30] Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; [31] but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

God is...

- Everlasting
- the Creator of all things
- All Powerful
- All Knowing
- Strength for the weak

But Those Who HOPE in the Lord...

- RENEW their strength
- SOAR on wings of eagles
- RUN and don't get weary
- WALK and not faint

Psalms 147:11 the Lord delights in those who fear him, who put their HOPE in his unfailing love.

→We have HOPE in Jesus Christ and the Power of GOD

JESUS HEALS THE INVALID ~ John 5:8-15

[8] Then Jesus said to him, "Get up! Pick up your mat and walk." [9] At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked. The day on which this took place was a Sabbath, [10] and so the Jews said to the man who had been healed, "It is the Sabbath; the law forbids you to carry your mat." [11] But he replied, "The man who made me well said to me, 'Pick up your mat and walk.'" [12] So they asked him, "Who is this fellow who told you to pick it up and walk?" [13] The man who was healed had no idea who it was, for Jesus had slipped away into the crowd that was there. [14] Later Jesus found him at the temple and said to him, "See, you are well again. Stop sinning or something worse may happen to you." [15] The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well.

Characteristics of this Man (D.A. Carson)

- Complainer - I don't have anyone to help me
- Pass the Blame - Just following orders
- Not Overly Bright - Don't know who healed me
- Ungrateful Snitch - told religious leaders it was Jesus when he found out

APPLICATION

2 Corinthians 4:14-18 ...we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you in his presence. [15] All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God. [16] Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. [17] For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. [18] So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

WE DO NOT LOOSE HEART/ HOPE

- even in serious sickness
- troubles are momentary
- fix our eyes on JESUS

→ **We have HOPE in God and His ETERNAL Plan - not just the here and now.**

TAKE AWAY ??

John 1:14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

→ **We have HOPE based in GOD'S Amazing Grace & Truth.**

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