

IT'S ALL ABOUT JESUS

NO MORE EXCUSES

John 5:1-18

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When you look deeply within, do you really want to get well?

1. To get well, you have to throw aside your excuses.

The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, but while I am coming, another steps down before me." John 5:7

A. But you don't understand how badly I have been hurt.

B. But you don't understand that it's not my fault.

C. But you don't understand that my situation is hopeless.

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13

2. To get well, you have to rise up by faith.

Jesus said to him, "Arise, take up your pallet, and walk." And immediately the man became well ... John 5:8-9

A. The Lord wants you to get up from your prison.

The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are downtrodden, to proclaim the favorable year of the Lord. Luke 4:18-19

B. The Lord wants you to do what He says.

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13

3. To get well, you have to take responsibility for your life.

Jesus said to him, "Arise, take up your pallet, and walk." And immediately

the man became well, and took up his pallet and began to walk. Now it was the Sabbath on that day. John 5:8-9

A. It's time to take up your pallet.

B. It's time to walk in newness of life with Jesus.

Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, in order that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. Romans 6:4

Afterward Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "Behold, you have become well; do not sin anymore, so that nothing worse may befall you." John 5:14

C. It's time to understand that there will always be opposition.

Now it was the Sabbath on that day. John 5:9

And for this reason the Jews were persecuting Jesus, because He was doing these things on the Sabbath. But He answered them, "My Father is working until now, and I Myself am working." For this cause therefore the Jews were seeking all the more to kill Him, because He not only was breaking the Sabbath, but also was calling God His own Father, making Himself equal with God. John 5:16-18

Do you want to get well? Will you be honest with God?