

Sermon-based Growth Group
The Gospel of John: Healing at Bethesda
John 5:1-17
Questions
July 24, 2022

Introductory Discussion: What from Sunday's sermon did you find most helpful, or eye-opening, or troubling (pick any or all of the above)?

Discussion:

1. In verse 6, Jesus asks the man if he wants to be healed. What are some reasons that someone would NOT want to be healed?
 - a. What are the consequences of accepting His healing?
 - b. Are we sometimes concerned that He won't heal us the way we want to be healed?

2. Where do you look when you need help?
 - a. Is Jesus your first step to getting better or your last step?

3. The Pharisees ignored the fact that a man was just healed and focused on the fact that it was the Sabbath. Can you think of a time when you missed what God was doing because he didn't do it the way you expected?
 - a. Are the rules or your expectations about God and how He works helping you or getting in the way of seeing Him working in your life?

4. In verse 14, Jesus says, "See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse may happen to you." Which is the more important healing, the man's body or his soul?
 - a. Jesus tells the man to walk to show that he is physically healed, but how does "walking" help the man to "sin no more" (see Galatians 5:16-17, 1 John 2:6)?