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JESUS: See His Glory and Grace

Lesson Three • John 5:1-18

Healing the Lame Man

The Third Sign at the Pool of Bethesda

Jesus is our eternal REST from sickness and sin.

Jesus came to lift up those who are spiritually lame so that they can walk and rest in spiritual life by His divine authority and power.

Jesus said to him, "Get up, take up your bed, and walk." And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked. Now that day was the Sabbath. John 5:8-9

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1. Jesus Is Lord Over SICKNESS!

Misery at the Pool

The Pool of Bethesda was where a multitude of <u>INVALIDS</u> with diseases and disabilities would wait for healing in the water when it was "stirred up by an angel" (v. 1-5).

Miracle at the Pool

- Jesus' KNOWLEDGE of the lame man was complete (v. 6).
- Jesus' COMPASSION for the lame man was great (v. 6-7).
- > Jesus' POWER over the lame man was immediate (v. 8-9).

2. Jesus Is Lord Over SIN!

Sign of the Miracle

Jesus' healing of the lame man is a <u>WARNING</u> to turn from sin, the more serious condition in our lives (v. 13-14).

What could possibly be worse than a lifetime of suffering? An eternity of suffering.

Jesus' healing of the lame man is a sign <u>POINTING</u> to His total healing that awaits His people at His Second Coming.

In this age healings are the exception not the rule; and what healings we might experience today are meant to be a sign pointing to total healing in the age to come.

3. Jesus Is Lord Over the SABBATH!

Jewish Persecution Over the Sabbath

- > Jewish religious leaders <u>CARED</u> more about their Sabbath traditions being broken than they did about the lame man being healed (v. 10-12, 15-16).
- > Jesus <u>CLAIMED</u> that His Father and Him have been working to restore Sabbath rest to the world (v. 17-18).

Takeaway

If you want eternal rest from sickness and sin, then $\underline{\sf BELIEVE}$ Jesus is the Son of God, equal with God the Father.

By faith in Jesus Christ, we are guaranteed eternal rest in God's presence.

"Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears My word and believes Him who sent Me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life." John 5:24