Life Group Questions and Message Notes

- 1. What miracles are you looking for?
- 2. What are your excuses that are "preventing" you from seeing Gods miracles?
- 3. What are your go to comforts hindering you from Gods miracles?

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"Some time later, Jesus went up to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish festivals. 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. Here a great number of disabled people used to lie—the blind, the lame, the paralyzed. One who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. 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?' '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.' Then Jesus said to him, 'Get up! Pick up your mat and walk. At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked...."

John 5:1-9a (NIV)

STAND UP AND STOP MAKING EXCUSES

"Jesus told him, 'Stand up, pick up your mat, and walk!" John 5:8 (NLT)

"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?" John 5:6 (NIV)

"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." John 5:7 (NIV)

STEP OUT OF YOUR COMFORT ZONE AND EXPERIENCE THE MIRACLE

"Then Jesus said to him, 'Get up! Pick up your mat and walk." John 5:8 (NIV)

"Now glory be to God, who by his mighty power at work within us is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask or even dream of—infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes." Ephesians 3:20 (TLB)

"Jesus said, 'Get up, take your bedroll, start walking.' The man was healed on the spot. He picked up his bedroll and walked off." John 5:8-9a (MSG)

"There is no room in love for fear. Well-formed love banishes fear. Since fear is crippling, a fearful life—fear of death, fear of judgment—is one not yet fully formed in love." 1 John 4:18 (MSG)