



THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

GOSPEL OF JOHN SERIES – 33

"GET UP AND WALK"

John 5:1-15

INTRODUCTION & REVIEW

REMINDER: Purpose of book - *John 20:30-31*

NOTICE SEVEN THINGS ABOUT THIS MIRACLE:

1. THE CIRCUMSTANCES BEHIND THIS MIRACLE-1-5

- **The PLACE** where it took place - 1-2

"Bethesda" - house of mercy

"Jerusalem ... by the Sheep Gate" - gate through which the sacrificial animals were taken, built by the priests - Neh. 3:1

- **The POOL** which had healing power

v. 4 - many manuscripts do not contain the last phrase of v3-4

- **The PEOPLE** who needed to be healed - 3-5

"invalids" – *astheneō* - 86x - impotent/without strength/weak
(*John 4:46-47; 5:3,7; 6:2; James 5:14*)

Remember...

Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to constantly apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Phil. 2:12-13; 1 Tim. 4:7-9; Jam 1:22-27).

As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?

How can I accomplish this change?

What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

- ⇒ Lazarus - *John 11:1-3, 6*
- ⇒ Dorcus - *Acts 9:37*
- ⇒ Epaphroditus - *Phil 2:26-27*

Other uses of this word for weak.

1. Weak in the faith - *Rom. 4:19; 14:1*
2. Weak in flesh - *Matt. 26:41; Rom. 6:19*
3. Weak in conscience – *1 Cor. 8:7, 10*
4. Weak in prayer - *Rom. 8:26*
5. Weak in body - *2 Cor. 10:10; 1 Cor. 15:43*

2. THE COMPASSION OF JESUS CHRIST - 6

Heb. 4:15; 5:1-2

- He **"saw him"** among a crowd
- He **"knew"** about his condition
- He **invited** him to receive healing

3. THE CONCERN OF THE MAN - 7 - "I have no one to help"

4. THE COMMAND OF JESUS CHRIST - 8 - "get up and walk"

2 Cor. 12:9; Matt. 8:17

5. THE CONSEQUENCE - 9 - "And at once" - immediately

"now that day was the Sabbath" - *Luke 5:12-15; 8:1-2; 13:10-13*

6. THE CHARGE OF THE JEWS - 10-13

- Their **ARGUMENT** - 10

Violates the 4th commandment - *Neh 13:15-19; Jer 17:21-22*

- His **ANSWER** - 11-13

7. THE CHALLENGE OF CHRIST - 14-15

- He **FOUND** him - 14a

- He **FACED** him with the root cause of his illness - 14b