



The Miracles of Jesus

Lesson Nine Study Questions – Healing the Lame Man (John 5:1-18)

1. On what occasion did Jesus go up to Jerusalem? (John 5:1)
2. What is the name of the gate of Jerusalem near which this miracle occurred? (John 5:2)
 - What was the name of the pool that was by this gate?
 - What was unique about the architecture around the pool?
3. Who lay in the porches surrounding the pool? (John 5:3)
 - For what were they waiting?
 - Is there a footnote in your Bible explaining something unusual about the text from the end of John 5:3 through John 5:4?
 - Does your Bible include John 5:4 in the text or in a footnote?
 - What does 1 Peter 1:25 tell us about God's word?
4. How long had the lame man had his infirmity? (John 5:5)
5. What did Jesus know when He saw the lame man? (John 5:6)
 - What did Jesus ask the man?
6. What reasons does the man give for not being able to get into the pool? (John 5:7)
 - Does the man's answer indicate that he believed that if he could get into the pool first when the water was stirred that he could be healed?
 - Does his response indicate that he had any hope of being healed in any other way?
7. What did Jesus tell the man to do? (John 5:8)
8. How soon was the man able to do what Jesus said? (John 5:9)
 - On what day did this occur?
9. In John 5:10, what did the Jews tell the man whom Jesus had healed?
10. What explanation did the man give to the Jews for carrying his bed on the Sabbath? (John 5:11)
 - Was the man initially able to point out Jesus to the Jews? (John 5:12-13)
 - Why not?
11. Later, when Jesus found the man in the temple, what did He tell him not to do? Why not? (John 5:14)
 - What could be worse than being an invalid for 38 years?
12. For what two reasons do the Jews seek to kill Jesus? (John 5:16-18)
 - Consider Jesus' statement in John 5:17 and explain why Jesus continued using His divine power even on the Sabbath.