

JESUS HEALS AN INVALID MAN

John 5:1–15

Key Verse: 5:8

1. How is the setting described (1–3)? According to the footnote (verse 4), why was this multitude of invalids there? How is this scene a caricature of humanity?
2. What specific person is mentioned (5)? How would being sick for so long have affected him? What did Jesus say to him, and what does this tell us about Jesus (6)?
3. What does the man's response show about him (7)? When we have problems, how might we be doing the same thing? What did Jesus say to him, and what happened (8–9)? What does this show about Jesus? What does his command in verse 8 mean to us?
4. How did the Jewish leaders respond to the man's healing, and why (9b–10)? What did the healed man tell them, and what does it show about him (11)? What else did they ask him, what was his response, and why did he have no idea who it was (12–13)?
5. How else did Jesus warn this man (14)? How did he respond (15)? What "sin" do you think Jesus was talking about here, and what should we learn from this?