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## The Main Idea

Do you want to be healed?

Your past does not have to define your future.

In Christ, your past pain can be a platform for God's glory.

## *John 4 (ESV)*

*46 So he came again to Cana in Galilee, where he had made the water wine. And at Capernaum there was an official whose son was ill. 47 When this man heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went to him and asked him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. 48 So Jesus said to him, “Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe.” 49 The official said to him, “Sir, come down before my child dies.” 50 Jesus said to him, “Go; your son will live.”*

## *John 4 (ESV)*

*The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and went on his way. 51 As he was going down, his servants met him and told him that his son was recovering. 52 So he asked them the hour when he began to get better, and they said to him, “Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him.” 53 The father knew that was the hour when Jesus had said to him, “Your son will live.” And he himself believed, and all his household. 54 This was now the second sign that Jesus did when he had come from Judea to Galilee.*

# MIRACLES OF JESUS CHRIST

## Jesus Heals an Official's Son

JOHN 4:46-54



## Jesus Heals an Official's Son

- Faith
  - Trusting Jesus is who He says He is
  - Keeps His Promises
- Gratitude - Our first response
- *“I believe; help my unbelief!” (Mark 9:24 ESV)*
- Trials & suffering help us know our Savior
- All healing & cures (people, pills & prayers) comes from Jesus

## *John 5 (ESV)*

*1 After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 2 Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades. 3 In these lay a multitude of invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. 5 One man was there who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. 6 When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had already been there a long time, he said to him, “Do you want to be healed?”*

## *John 5 (ESV)*

*7 The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, and while I am going another steps down before me." 8 Jesus said to him, "Get up, take up your bed, and walk." 9 And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked. Now that day was the Sabbath. 10 So the Jews said to the man who had been healed, "It is the Sabbath, and it is not lawful for you to take up your bed."*



## *John 5 (ESV)*

*11 But he answered them, "The man who healed me, that man said to me, 'Take up your bed, and walk.'" 12 They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take up your bed and walk'?" 13 Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. 14 Afterward Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, "See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse may happen to you."*

## *John 5 (ESV)*

*15 The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him. 16 And this was why the Jews were persecuting Jesus, because he was doing these things on the Sabbath. 17 But Jesus answered them, “My Father is working until now, and I am working.”*

Jesus Heals  
the  
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# Jesus Heals the Invalid at Bethesda

- Bethesda – “Mercy”
- Invalid
  - Not productive
  - Blind, lame & paralyzed (“island of misfit toys”)
  - Outcasts
  - Unclean

## Jesus Heals the Invalid at Bethesda

- Image bearers of God
  - *Bought with a price (1 Corinthians 6:20 ESV)*
  - Ebay
  - Pegasus - \$72M horse
  - Carfax – Jesus knows all our defects



WHY PAIN?

## Why Pain

- Live in a fallen world
- Self inflicted – Sin/Stupidity
- Other people's sin/stupidity
- Direct attack of Satan
- God testing us
- God has a purpose (Romans 8:28)

**DO YOU WANT TO  
BE HEALED?**

John 5:1-18  
Conversations with Jesus



## Do You Want to be Healed?

- Pain is identity
- Excuse for bad behavior
- Shame comes from Satan
- “Fake you is doing just fine”
- Don’t have to live like we used to - Sanctification
- “Church is a hospital, not a country club”
- Fix eyes on Jesus – He defines us
- Neil Anderson – “Who I am in Christ”



# *Anointing*

## Questions

- Was there ever a time when you took Jesus at His Word and by faith claimed one of His promises?
- What can we learn about the character of God based on Jesus's interaction with the man on the mat?
- How are you secure in Jesus' acceptance of you as significant in His eyes?
- How has God transformed you, or is working to transform, through a tragedy, suffering or pain in your life for His glory?



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