

Lord of Life (John 5)

Questions: Week Five

The Healing at the Pool - John 5:1-15

Topics: <u>Attitude, Church, Depend, Healing, Jesus Christ, Law, Legalism, Miracles, New Life, Religion, Sin, Trust</u>

Open It

- 1. *Why might someone prefer rules and regulations to freedom?
- 2. In what way are relationships more important than rules and regulations?

Explore It

- 3. For what event did Jesus go to Jerusalem? (5:1)
- 4. Who came to the pool near the Sheep Gate in Jerusalem? (5:2-3)
- 5. How long had the one invalid man been at the pool? (5:5)
- 6. *What did Jesus ask the invalid man? (5:6)
- 7. How did the invalid man respond to Jesus' question? (5:7)
- 8. What did Jesus command the invalid man to do? (5:8)
- 9. What happened to the invalid man after Jesus spoke to him? (5:9)
- 10. On what day of the week did this miracle take place? (5:9)
- 11. *What did the Jews say to the healed man? Why? (5:10)
- 12. How did the healed man respond to the Jews' question? (5:11)
- 13. What did the Jews ask the healed man? (5:12)
- 14. Why didn't the man know who healed him? (5:13)
- 15. *What did Jesus tell the man he had healed on their second encounter? (5:14)
- 16. What did the healed man do after he spoke with Jesus a second time? (5:15)

Get It

- 17. In what way do you think life is unfair?
- 18. When have you felt as if life has dealt you a bad hand?
- 19. When have you felt that God was waiting too long to do something you'd trusted Him to do?
- 20. When do we tend to get impatient with God's timing in our lives?
- 21. On what in life, other than God, do we sometimes depend?
- 22. Why do we attempt to take matters into our own hands, rather than trust God to work them out?
- 23. *When has someone tried to squelch your freedom in Christ with religious rules or regulations?
- 24. *Why do some people care more about keeping certain "religious" rules than they do about developing a meaningful relationship with Jesus?
- 25. What rules tend to interfere with your enjoyment of your relationship with Christ?
- 26. In what way has Jesus made you well?

Apply It

- 27. What is something you need to trust God with today?
- 28. Who is someone you can encourage to enjoy his or her relationship with Christ this week?
- 29. *What "religious" rule that hinders your relationship with Christ will you make secondary to that relationship this week?

Life Through the Son - John 5:16-30

Topics: <u>Assurance</u>, <u>Believe</u>, <u>Enemies</u>, <u>Eternal Life</u>, <u>Faith</u>, <u>God</u>, <u>Jesus Christ</u>, <u>Judgment</u>, <u>New Life</u>, <u>Parents</u>, <u>Persecution</u>, <u>Salvation</u>, <u>Security</u>

Open It

- 1. What different groups of people have suffered persecution throughout history?
- 2. *What are some of the positive aspects of your relationship with your parents?

Explore It

- 3. Why did the Jews persecute Jesus? (5:16)
- 4. Whose work did Jesus do? (5:17)
- 5. Why did certain Jews want to kill Jesus? (5:18)
- 6. *What did Jesus say that the Son could do? (5:19)
- 7. What did Jesus tell the Jews that He would show them? (5:20)
- 8. What did Jesus say He was able to do? (5:21)
- 9. To whom did God entrust all judgment? (5:22)
- 10. *Why did God entrust judgment to Christ? (5:23)
- 11. How did Jesus say a person can gain eternal life? (5:24)
- 12. What time did Jesus say had already come? (5:25)
- 13. *What did Jesus say the Father has in Himself that He has granted to the Son? (5:26)
- 14. What time did Jesus say was coming? (5:28-29)
- 15. Whom did Jesus say He desires to please? (5:30)

Get It

- 16. In what way does the world persecute Christians today?
- 17. How have you been persecuted as a believer?
- 18. When have you experienced pressure not to practice or share your faith in Christ?
- 19. Why does the world persecute Christians?
- 20. *How can we honor the Son and the Father with our lives?
- 21. How can we know for sure that we have eternal life?
- 22. *Why should we feel secure in our relationship with God?
- 23. How should we prepare ourselves for Jesus' judgment?
- 24. In what way are we like Jesus with respect to our relationship with God the Father?
- 25. In what way is Jesus an example for us to follow?

Apply It

- 26. *What steps can you take this week to enjoy more fully your relationship with your Heavenly Father?
- 27. What can you do today to bring honor to God?
- 28. How will you allow Jesus' example in this passage of Scripture to influence your life this week?

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