

DISCUSSION GUIDE

JOHN 5:1-15

QUESTIONS FOR KIDS



1. Who was sitting on the porches near the pool of Bethesda? How long had the man Jesus spoke to been sick?
2. What did Jesus ask him? What happened when Jesus told him to get up, pick up his mat, and walk?
3. Why did the religious leaders get upset?
4. What did Jesus tell the man later in the temple? Why do you think Jesus warned the man to stop sinning?
5. What is the most important thing to Jesus, our physical health or our spiritual health? What things do you think Jesus wants you to change to improve your spiritual health?

QUESTIONS FOR YOUTH



1. What do you think the blind, the lame, and the paralyzed, were looking and waiting for?
2. What does this story show us about the character of Jesus?
3. What does Jesus command the man who was healed to do?

QUESTIONS FOR ADULTS



1. Why does the Bible not mention the name of the man? Or mention the name of the Samaritan woman in John 4?
2. When the Jews said to the man that it was the Sabbath, and that he shouldn't be carrying his pallet, what was really going on in their hearts?
3. Did Jesus confirm to the man that if he continued to sin, something worse would happen to him? Why or why not? Do bad things happen to people because they sin?
4. What is the main point in this story? Why is this story in our Bibles?