

The Miracles of Jesus
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Miracle: "A Happening with Which Human Reasoning Has Yet To Catch Up."

-Dr. William Augustus Jones

Miracle #18 – Jesus Heals an Invalid at Bethesda

John 5:1-15

- **John 5:1-4**

Jesus was honoring the custom of the Jews. He, along with His disciples, were in Jerusalem for the Feast of the Passover. They were celebrating the victory God had given them in deliverance from Egyptian bondage. He visited the pool of Bethesda. As He walked among the disabled, there were the blind, the lame, the paralyzed and others who suffered from incurable diseases. Their lives were destined to a life of disability. However, they believed in healing angels. Ever-so often it was believed that an angel from heaven would "stir-up" the water and heals the first one who made his or her way into the water.

- **Exodus 12:29-30**

- **John 5:5-6**

A certain man with a sickness for 38 years was there. After 38 years, this man's problem had become a way of life. Apparently, he had no way of helping himself and no hope of ever being healed. Jesus, knowing all things, asked him a question, "***Will thou be made whole?***"

"Do you want to get well?" (NIV)

"Do you want to be healed?" (Contemporary)

- **John 5:7-9**

This man give excuses for not having received a healing from the angel. "***I don't have no one to help me get into the pool.***"

"I don't have anybody to put me in the pool. By the time I get there, somebody else is already in." (Message Bible)

Jesus told him to:

- 1) *Rise* – get up man.
- 2) *Take up your bed* – take some responsibility.
- 3) *Walk* – Don't return to a defeatist state of mind.

- John 5:10-15

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