

**Study of John**  
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**KEY VERSES:** 20:30-31

**OBJECT OF BELIEF:** "Behold the Lamb of God"

**DISCIPLES BELIEF GROWING:** GATHERING OF HIS OWN (6:65-71) / MINISTERING TO HIS CLOSE DISCIPLES / DISCIPLED BY HIS WRITERS / RESURRECTION AND APPEARANCES TO HIS DISCIPLES

**CONFLICT WITH JEWS:** PEOPLE'S UNBELIEF INTENSIFYING

**ERA OF INCARNATION BEGINS** (AD 0) | **YEARS OF CONFLICT** (AD 0-30) | **DAY OF PREPARATION** (AD 30) | **HOUR OF SACRIFICE** (AD 30) | **DAWN OF VICTORY** (AD 30) | **EPHLOGIST** (AD 30)

**PUBLIC MINISTRY** (AD 0-30) | **PRIVATE MINISTRY** (AD 30-40)

**THREE YEARS** | **FEW DAYS**

**SIGNS WROUGHT** (MIRACLES) | **SELF REVEALED** (DISCOURSES)

**KEY WORDS:** believe (28), man (28), Jew (17), Amen (10), glory (6), He Father (10), mercy, words (2), light, darkness, love, believe, the whole, heart's word, judgment, name

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—Fast Forward to 20:31, 2:15, 3:15, 6:4, 11:33  
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**John 5:1-20**    **Session 9**

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John 5:1-4<sup>1</sup> After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>2</sup> Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, which is called in Hebrew, Bethesda, having five porches. <sup>3</sup> In these lay a great multitude of sick people, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. <sup>4</sup> For an angel went down at a certain time into the pool and stirred up the water; then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of whatever disease he had.

► Were people genuinely healed at the pool?

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John 5:5-9<sup>5</sup> Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years. <sup>6</sup> When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" <sup>7</sup> The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; but while I am coming, another steps down before me." <sup>8</sup> Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your bed and walk."<sup>9</sup> And immediately the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked. And that day was the Sabbath.

► Why specifically did Jesus select this man who was infirmed for 38 years?

► Why ask, "Do you want to be made well"?

► Whose faith played a role in the healing?

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John 5:10-13<sup>10</sup> The Jews therefore said to him who was cured, "It is the Sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your bed."<sup>11</sup> He answered them, "He who made me well said to me, 'Take up your bed and walk.'<sup>12</sup> Then they asked him, 'Who is the Man who said to you, 'Take up your bed and walk'?"<sup>13</sup> But the one who was healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, a multitude being in that place.

► How is it that Jesus was in the midst of this multitude of people and no one recognized Him?

► Who broke the Sabbath, Jesus or the man?

► Why did Jesus heal on the Sabbath and not a day before or after? Do you think it escaped Jesus' mind that it was the Sabbath?

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**John 5:14-18** <sup>14</sup> Afterward Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you have been made well. Sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon you." <sup>15</sup> The man departed and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well. <sup>16</sup> For this reason the Jews persecuted Jesus, and sought to kill Him, because He had done these things on the Sabbath. <sup>17</sup> But Jesus answered them, "My Father has been working until now, and I have been working." <sup>18</sup> Therefore the Jews sought all the more to kill Him, because He not only broke the Sabbath, but also said that God was His Father, making Himself equal with God.

- Was this man's infirmity due to sin in his life?
- What can we discern from the man returning to tell the Jews it was Jesus who healed him?
- How is this healing different from the healing in Chapter 4?
- How did the Jews know that Jesus' comment of being the Son of God actually infer equality to God?
- What would happen if God did nothing on the Sabbath?

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**John 5:19-20** <sup>19</sup> Then Jesus answered and said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner. <sup>20</sup> For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself does; and He will show Him greater works than these, that you may marvel.

- What does it mean that the Son can do nothing of Himself?
- Did Jesus die on the cross because He loved us?
- Did God the Father send Jesus to the cross because He loves us?

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Wrap Up

Any further comments?

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