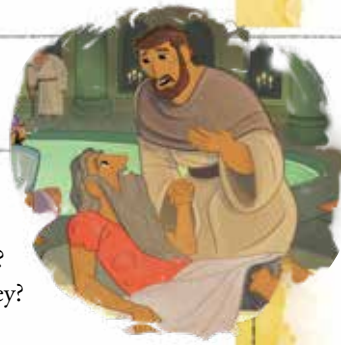


Journal Page



- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- How do you think the man felt after Jesus healed him?
- Share about a time someone showed compassion to you.
- Why can we have hope when we trust in Jesus?

Jesus Healed a Man Who Was Lame

John 5

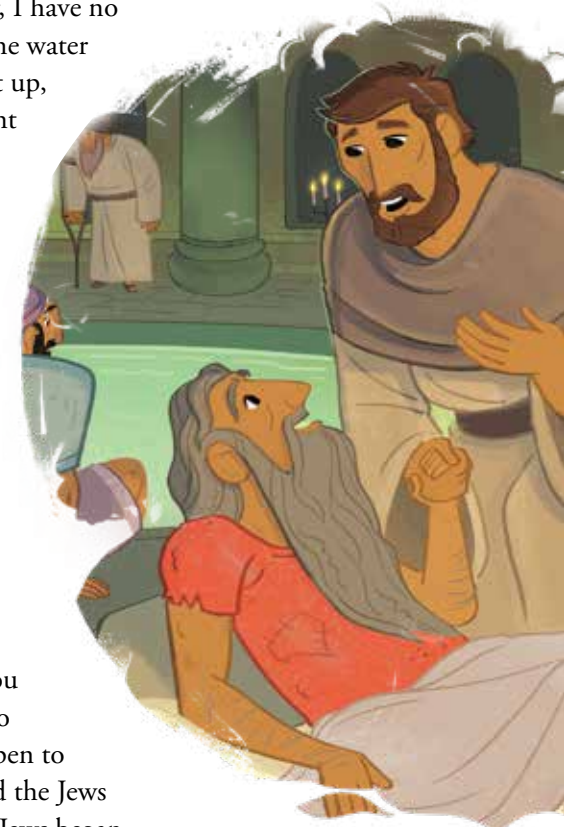
STORY POINT: JESUS HEALED A MAN WHO COULD NOT WALK.

Jesus went to Jerusalem and stood by the pool of Bethesda. Jesus noticed a man who could not walk. He had been lying there for a long time. Jesus asked him, "Do you want to get well?" The man answered, "Sir, I have no one to put me in the pool when the water is stirred up." Jesus told him, "Get up, pick up your mat, and walk." Right away, the man was miraculously healed. He picked up his mat and started to walk. This happened on the Sabbath, so the Jews told the man, "It is against the law to pick up your mat on the Sabbath."

The man replied, "The man who healed me told me to."

"Who was the man?" the Jews asked. But the man who was healed did not know. By this time, Jesus had slipped away. Later, Jesus found the man in the temple. Jesus said to him, "See, you are healed. Do not sin anymore, so that something worse doesn't happen to you." Then the man went and told the Jews that Jesus had healed him. So the Jews began persecuting Jesus because He healed on the Sabbath.

Christ Connection: The man at the pool was unable to help himself. Jesus healed him, and he obeyed Jesus' commands. In a similar way, we are unable to free ourselves from sin. Jesus calls us to trust in Him. When we trust in Jesus, He frees us from the power of sin and death so we can follow Him and obey Him.



FOLD

All Stirred Up

The letters of today's Bible story title are mixed up in the water. Can you unscramble them? What other words can you make with the letters?

A M E A M S U A H E
L W E H S A E W J A N S

Order of Events | Number the events in the order they happened.

“Get up, pick up your mat, and walk.”

“My Father is still working, and I am working too.”

“Do you want to get well?”

“See, you are healed. Do not sin anymore, so that something worse doesn't happen to you.”