

HANOVERDALE CHURCH

Gospel of John

Jesus Heals a Crippled Man

DEVOTIONALS FOR THE WEEK OF:

January 12, 2025

Can God heal? Why does He sometimes heal and other times not heal? This week we dig deeper again at His healing capability.

Monday: John 5:1-4, 7

What was unique about this particular pool? If you have access to the King James version, what is different from the others versions (NIV, ESV, NASB)? Theologians say that vs. 4 is not in the more modern versions. Why might that be? The original manuscripts in Hebrew or Greek are determined by their age. Why might KJV have included vs. 4? Is God able to stir the pool, making the water healing water? For what are you needing God's healing touch? Go to Him about your need today.

Tuesday: John 5:5-8

What was the issue with this man? How long had he been an invalid? Do you suppose that he was hopeful laying there year after year unable to move by himself? What would his emotions be like? How did Jesus know that this man, whom He had never met before, was in need? Why would Jesus have asked if the man wanted to be well? Doesn't everyone want healing? Why might a person not want to be healed? How did the man respond to Jesus' question? Why did he not answer Jesus' question directly? How did Jesus respond? Do you want to be healed of your infirmities? Why or why not? Give your infirmity to the Lord. Ask Him for His highest willingness in your life.

Wednesday: Psalm 139:1-24

Why does God already know everything about you? Does He know your thoughts before you say anything? Why is that? How big and knowledgeable and close to you is God? Was God there when you were made? What does it say about the extent of all your days? Are you anxious today about your health? Let God lead you throughout your days. If He wishes to heal you let Him. If not, then ask Him to lead your life in the ways everlasting.

Thursday: John 5:9-10; Deuteronomy 5:14; Mark 2:23-27

How long of a process was the healing? Did the man need to come back time after time? What did he do with his sick bed? What did he do next? Why was that a problem? How did the Pharisees respond? What is the Sabbath? How did the

regulations regarding the Sabbath change with the Gospel of Jesus Christ? How should a person keep the Sabbath so it is a holy day today? Is the Sabbath made for man or man for the Sabbath? What does that mean to you?

Friday: John 5:11-15; Romans 6:23

Why were the religious leaders so upset at this man and with Jesus? Why were they blind to the miracle that had just occurred? What do you think was the greater miracle - the physical healing or the forgiveness of sins? Today, deal with any sin you are harboring in your life. What does sin do to a person? What does God want for you instead of the condemnation of your sin? Give your heart to Christ today. Become a person of righteousness?

Saturday: John 5:16-18; Luke 5:27-31

What do you think Jesus meant when He said that both He and His Father were busy at work on that day? Why were the Pharisees wanting to kill Jesus? He said that He and the Father are equal. Why is that a true statement? Is that worthy of Jesus dying? Why or why not? Today honor Jesus as God the Great Physician. Can our Great Physician cure us of our spiritual and moral sicknesses? What is blocking healing in your life? Today, believe in Him. Begin to live for Him. We do that, after we have believed, when we do what He tells us to do. Turn from your sins and have a vital, healthy, relationship with Christ. We are not promised that the Lord will heal our diseases in this life. But, He is still our Great Physician.