

Up-Close & Personal
“Will You Be Made Whole?”
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John 5:1-9

Jesus asks:

1. Will you be Made Whole?

(Greek: hugiés): To be made healthy or sound; to get well to to have one's health restored.

2. Result:

After hearing Jesus, the man placed his faith in the Lord's power to heal, and he was healed immediately.

⁶ And it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him. (Hebrews 11:6)

3. What can *we* learn ?

Faith + obedience produces healing and transformation.

⁹ And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked. (John 5:9)

Application for Today:

**What about you and what about your situation?
Will you be made whole today?**

2 Excuses

1. “But God can't forgive me. You don't know about the things I've done!”

⁸ If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. ⁹ But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.

1 John 1:8-9

2. “Bit I've tried and failed too many times. My problem is too hard to solve!”

¹⁴ Is anything too hard for the LORD? I will return about this time next year, and Sarah will have a son.”

Genesis 18:14

God's Answer

**Give your heart and your troubles
to Jesus Christ... *Completely!***

³¹ “Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³²For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.” Matthew 6:31-33 (NLT)

¹ The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. ² He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. ³ He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. ⁴ Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For you are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over. ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever. Psalm 23 (NKJV)

Discussion Questions

1. What was your “take-away” from today's message?
2. What plus what produces healing and transformation?
3. What do you have the most difficulty with? Faith or obedience?
4. Which of the 2 excuses do you find yourself most using? How might your Group help you?
5. What situation are you dealing with that you could share with your group?
6. What is stopping you from giving your heart AND problem to Jesus Christ...completely?
7. Pray for each other.