

John 5: God is Always Working

John 5:1-15: TAKE UP YOUR BED AND WALK

1. JOHN 5:1

- "A feast of the Jews and Jesus went up to Jerusalem"
- Passover, Weeks, Tabernacles (unsure which one/what time of year this was—spring, summer, fall)

Review of God's Plan of Redemption:

ADAM & EVE (CREATION/FALL)→NOAH (FLOOD)→

ABRAHAM (PATRIARCHS)→

MOSES (LAW)→JESUS (NEW COVENANT)→BODY OF CHRIST (CHURCH AGE)→

ANTI-CHRIST (TRIBULATION)→

BRIDEGROOM/BRIDE (MILLENNIAL KINGDOM)→

LAST ADAM (NEW HEAVENS/NEW EARTH/NEW JERUSALEM)

2. JOHN 5:2-4

- Bethesda in Hebrew: "House of mercy" *bah'-yith kheh'-sed*
- "Waiting for the moving of the water" and "an angel"
- Already showing the working God in the OT from angels to Jesus Christ (**Hebrews 1; Galatians 3:19**)

3. JOHN 5:5-6

- "38 years" 3+10+8 (Triune God/holiness, royalty, new creation)
- "Do you want to be made well?"
- Power of the Word of God to heal vs. works of the law

4. JOHN 5:7-9a

- Jesus spoke and He was healed

5. JOHN 5:9b

- Sabbath controversy begins!
- Review **Genesis 2:1-3; Exodus 20:8-11**

6. JOHN 5:10

- "Not lawful to carry your bed"
- Estimated 613 laws in the OT

7. JOHN 5:11

- The man cited the spoken word of Jesus, not a law to obey

8. JOHN 5:12-15

- Jesus' power to heal and to forgive sins
- "The man departed and told the Jews it was Jesus who made him well."

John 5:16-47: ALL JUDGMENT TO THE SON

1. JOHN 5:16-18

- Why the Jews wanted to kill Jesus
 1. He worked on the Sabbath
 2. “Broke the Sabbath” and “making Himself equal with God” (their accusations according to the law) (2 Corinthians 3:14-16)
 - “My Father has been working until now, and I have been working.”
 - Moving God’s plan of redemption forward
 3. ENVY (Mark 15:9-10; see Joseph and his brothers as a picture of Jesus’ relationship with the Jewish leaders—Genesis 37:1-11; 18-20)

2. JOHN 5:19

- Jesus’ submission to the Father’s authority as the Son of God

3. JOHN 5:20-23

- Resurrection of Christ points to Jesus’ authority as the Last Adam (John 3:16-18)

4. JOHN 5:24-30

- “Hears My Word and believes”
- Resurrection and the spoken word (John 11:41-44; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18)
 - Immediate fulfillment—>Lazarus
 - Future fulfillment—>Rapture of the church

5. JOHN 5:31-37a

- “Greater witness than John’s”
 - Resurrection from the dead (Psalm 22:16; John 20:24-28; Zech. 12:10; Revelation 1:7)
 - “You search the Scriptures” and “these are they which testify of Me”
 - The Jews not willing to come to Him to have life (Matthew 24:37)

6. JOHN 5:37b-47

- Jews’ biggest issue: **Unbelief**
- The Song of Moses (Exodus 32:28-29)
- Why there will be an Anti-Christ

Hebrews 11:6—

But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

The Seven Signs of Jesus in the Gospel of John

1. **Turning Water to Wine** (John 2:1-11)
2. Healing the Nobleman’s Son (John 4:26-54)
3. Healing the Lame Man (John 5:1-15)
4. Feeding Five Thousand (John 6:1-14)
5. Walking on Water (John 6:15-21)
6. Healing the Man Born Blind (John 9:1-41)
7. Raising Lazarus from the Dead (John 11:1-44)