

Fall 2016 Gospel Meeting  
 The Life Of The Christian  
 "Do You Want To Be Made Well?"  
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John 5:1-4  
 After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, which is called in Hebrew, Bethesda, having five porches. In these lay a great multitude of sick people, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. 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.

Pool of Bethesda



John 5:5-6  
 Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years. 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?"**

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 (verse 7).

**What did the man answer?**

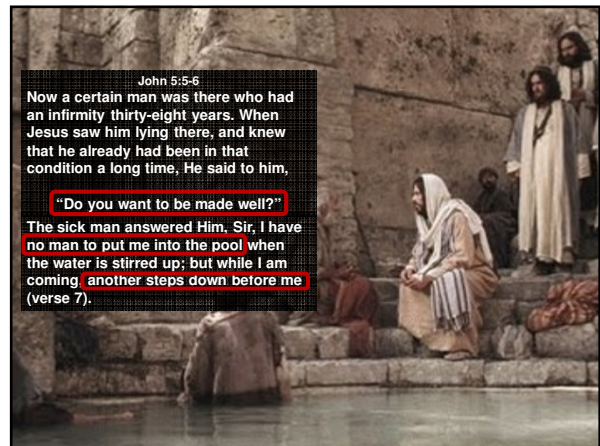
- 1. Yes, I want to be healed.**
- 2. Yes, I want to be made new.**
- 3. Yes, I want to walk, jump, and run.**

Do You Want To Get Well?

*"Men are anxious to improve their circumstances, but are unwilling to improve themselves; they therefore remain bound."*  
 James Allen, British Philosopher and Poet

Do You Want To Get Well?

*"She enjoys poor health"*



**Answering Jesus:  
Do You Want To Get Well?**

- Or do you secretly enjoy victimhood?
- Or do you keep blaming someone else for your difficulties?
- Or are you afraid to "get well?"
- Or do you just want relief – instead of a cure?

**Answering Jesus:  
Do You Want To Get Well?**

- ✓ Do you really want your marriage to become better?
- ✓ Do you really want to break your addictions / habits?
- ✓ Do you really want to become more spiritual?
- ✓ Do you really want your children to be more devout?
- ✓ Do you really want to be saved?