

## **Main Scripture: John 5:1-16**

After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

2 Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades. 3 In these lay a multitude of invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. 5 One man was there who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. 6 When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had already been there a long time, he said to him, “Do you want to be healed?” 7 The sick man answered him, “Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, and while I am going another steps down before me.” 8 Jesus said to him, “Get up, take up your bed, and walk.” 9 And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked.

Now that day was the Sabbath. 10 So the Jews said to the man who had been healed, “It is the Sabbath, and it is not lawful for you to take up your bed.” 11 But he answered them, “The man who healed me, that man said to me, ‘Take up your bed, and walk.’” 12 They asked him, “Who is the man who said to you, ‘Take up your bed and walk’?” 13 Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. 14 Afterward Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, “See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse may happen to you.” 15 The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him. 16 And this was why the Jews were persecuting Jesus, because he was doing these things on the Sabbath.

## **Scripture References:**

**Luke 17:6** – And the Lord answered, “If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it will obey you.

**John 2:11** – This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

**John 4:41-42** – And many more believed because of his word. 42 They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world.”

**John 4:53-54** – The father knew that was the hour when Jesus had said to him, “Your son will live.” And he himself believed, and all his household. 54 This was now the second sign that Jesus did when he had come from Judea to Galilee.

**John 5:24** – Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

**John 5:39-40, 44** – You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me, 40 yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life... 44 How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the only God?

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Living Water #11 – John 5:1-16 – The Object of Faith

Today's Big Question: *What does the Bible mean when it tells us to believe?*

The Greek Word [Pistis] can mean: \_\_\_\_\_

Faith as the Bible means it has two components:

John 5:1-16      A Healing that Breaks the normal rules!

*What has the invalid put his faith in?*

*What does Jesus do in this case that is not normal for him? For what purpose?*

*Beyond his being able to walk, what impact does this healing have on the man?*

John 4:46-54      The Official from Capernaum

*What does he ask Jesus to do? What is his faith like?*

*What impact does this healing have on the man?*

John 4:48      Unless you see signs and wonders...

Who is Jesus referring to with this comment?

Compare this to the response of the \_\_\_\_\_ in John 4:41-42

John 5:39-40      *How are the religious leaders just like the paralyzed man?*

John 5:44 – They do not believe because...

Faith the size of a \_\_\_\_\_ Seed: It is not the \_\_\_\_\_ of faith that matters but its \_\_\_\_\_

What does it mean to believe in the Son of God?

Trust him as your Savior and Lord and start \_\_\_\_\_