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Week 18: On Healing Spiritual Paralysis (John 5:1-18)
Sign 3: Healing a Paralytic at Bethesda

What is faith? What does it mean to have it?

Objective: To better understand the deity of Christ and therefore grow in our affections for Him – so that we may live a life worthy of Him.

Purpose of Book: “These are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name” (John 20:31).

What Christ Required of the Paralytic (vv. 6-9)

What is significant about the question Jesus asks in verse 8?

What did Jesus require of the paralyzed man to be healed?

The Reaction (vv. 10-16)

How did the Jews react to the man that was healed?

With this concern, what does this tell you about their priorities?

Reflection Questions

1. What does our complete dependence in Christ for our spiritual healing tell us about him?
2. Like the paralytic, what does Christ require from us to be healed?
3. Have you ever cared so much about a certain “rule” that it trumped the way you treated people?