

**Discussion Starter** – Jesus said, "I have come that they may have life and that they have it more abundantly." Are you experiencing the fullness of Jesus' promise? Do you carry disabilities that render you "unwell"? Do you want to be made well?

## Read John 5:1-8.

- 1) What condition did this "certain man" have? How long had he suffered with it?
- 2) What had this man done to deal with his condition? What did his answer to Jesus' question and his actions reveal about his desire to be made well?
- 3) How does assuming a "victim mentality" provide a level of comfort for this man?
- 4) **Read Galatians 5:16.** How does this episode in John apply to our ability, or inability to walk in the spirit?
  - a) What "spiritual disabilities" do you have that hinder you from walking in the Spirit? Are you content to allow them to remain or how might you allow Jesus to make you well?
  - b) How have you claimed to be a "victim" in certain areas of your life in Christ?
- 5) What responsibilities come along with being made well? How has fear ever kept you from embracing them?
- 6) What are 3 reasons we resist Jesus offer to make us well?
  - c) What are the benefits of allowing Jesus to make you well? What are the dangers of remaining in our disabled condition? (list them and meditate on them)
  - d) Read 1 John 5:14-15. What assurance of success does this verse provide?
- 7) What responsibility do we have, beyond praying "thy will be done", to discover God's will for our lives?
- 8) What steps can we take to discover God's will for us?
- 9) **Read Luke 6:46-49**. What are three verbs in verse 47? What response does the person who is under the Lordship of Jesus have to His word?
- 10) What promise does Jesus make to those who submit to Him as Lord?
- 11) **Read Romans 8:29 and 12:2**. What is God's vision and plan for your life? What will you do to embrace it and allow Him to achieve it through you?