



John on Jesus

Healing at the Bethesda Community Pool

Small Group Work Sheet

August 26, 2012

Part 1 - Ice Breaker

Have you become so frustrated with someone that you wanted to hit them? What about them put you over the edge?

Part 2 - Sermon Review

1. Read John 5:1-5. What is a roofed colonnade?
2. Why is verse 4 in the footnotes?
3. Read John 5:6. Why wouldn't this invalid want healing? In what areas of life do people want to avoid healing?
4. What happens when your infirmity becomes your identity? Where have you seen this happen? How can we break free from the sin of making our infirmity our identity?
5. Why does the invalid have no friends? If we want friends, how do we develop them?
6. What is the fine art of blame shifting? Where do we find it in this passage? Those with a victim mentality are known for blame shifting their problems on others. How does Christ change the victim mentality?
7. Read John 5:9-10. How do we recognize people who are religious that do not know God? What are the differences in Bible study between someone who is religious and someone who knows God?
8. Read John 5:14; Acts 5:1-11; 1 Corinthians 11:30. What is the relationship between sin and suffering? Is all suffering because of sin?
9. What is the most amazing part of this story?

