



International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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John 5:1-9 Scripture Handout New Revised Standard Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
 2. What does this verse mean to me?
- Discuss your answers with the class.

(John 5:1) After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

(John 5:2) Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes.

(John 5:3) In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed.

(John 5:4) [Omitted from NIV & NRSV and the oldest Greek manuscripts] For an angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he had. [Inserted from the KJV]

(John 5:5) One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years.

(John 5:6) When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?"

(John 5:7) 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 making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me."

(John 5:8) Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk."

(John 5:9) At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

Write out the verse or verses you have been assigned below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Personal Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?