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## You Have a Disease

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### TODAY'S READING: John 5

Imagine wanting to be healed of a disease you had for 38 years. Imagine the feelings of sadness and hopelessness you would have when you look for healing and relief everywhere you can, only to be let down again and again. In John Chapter 5, Jesus looks upon a sick man and shows him grace. I want you to notice that this man did not call out to Jesus or initiate a conversation with Jesus. Although this man did nothing to deserve it, Jesus asked him if he wanted to be healed and commanded him to get up and walk! When Jesus healed people, He was proving that He was who He claimed to be, the Son of God.

You and I are sick. Everyone you have ever met has a disease called sin that is killing them. If you are a Christ-follower, God looked at you in your sinful, rebellious state and lavished grace upon you although you are undeserving. God opened your eyes to see your need for a savior and He saved you! As believers, although we will get sick and even though we know we will die one day, we have been healed and we know we have the gift of eternal life. People all around us are looking to anything and everything in life for healing and satisfaction only to be left feeling empty and depressed. When you look at the people around you today, view them as people made in the image of God who need a savior. Extend grace and mercy to others even when they do not deserve it. Pray that God would open their eyes to see the truth of the gospel.

**PRAYER:** Father, You are sovereign, and I admit that I am not worthy to come before You today. Thank You for looking upon me in my sin and opening my eyes to see Your glory. Forgive me for not always extending grace to others. God, use me today to be Your instrument in showing others how they can be healed and how they can be saved.

### TOMORROW'S READING: John 6

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