

COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

The week of May 8th

***Last week's sermon & this homework can be found at gbcmt.org/sermons or on the GBC App*

1. Who are you closest to in life? If you were involved in some kind of sin, would they call you to repentance? _____
2. Read Matt. 11:25-27. Who reveals the truth in this passage? Who is able to know the Father? _____
3. Read John 5:1-16. What is the crippled man's understanding of God's grace? _____
4. Of the multitude of "sick, blind, lame, and withered," why did Jesus heal only one man? (Deut 29:29; Dan 4:34-35) _____
5. Can sin in our lives cause physical sickness or disabilities? Can physical disabilities always be traced back to sin in a person's life? (Gal 6:7-8; Jn 9:1-3; Lk 13:1-5) _____
6. During his 38 years as a cripple, what sort of sins could have plagued this man? _____
7. How does Jesus motivate this man towards repentance in verse 14? What are other appropriate motivations for repentance? _____

Practical Theology:

8. Can a believer be a slave of sin? (Jn 8:34; Ro 6:15-23) _____
9. Can a believer lose his salvation? (Jn 10:27-30, Eph 1:13-14; I Jn 2:19; Ro 8:13) Why do we fight against sin in our lives? _____
10. How is perseverance in the faith a community project? (Heb 3:12-14; Lk 17:3) _____

Sermon Prep: Read Mark 15

SPIRITUALLY CRIPPLED

John 5:1-16

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **"Spiritually Crippled."** All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. Jesus has rightly been called the what?
2. Jesus never spoke one word that did not accomplish what?
3. At times, the Lord's words cut directly to the root of unbelief and brought faith. At other times His words did what?
4. What miracle did Jesus do in John 6?
5. How did people respond to what Jesus said in John 6:53-54?
6. Jesus' words in John 6:53-54 hardened the hearts of those who followed Jesus for what?
7. The words Jesus spoke to the woman at the well in John 4 brought this woman to what?
8. In John 3, who did Jesus talk to using shocking words which left this man to wrestle with what Jesus had said?
9. It is possible that at some point Nicodemus came to what?
10. In John 5, Jesus healed the man on what day?

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11. John was incredibly selective in what?
12. What does John NOT tell us about in relation to why Jesus came to Jerusalem?
13. It is possible the Sheep Gate, referred to in verse 2, is the same Sheep Gate constructed by whom?
14. The word “withered” in verse 3 means what?
15. It is possible that the last part of verse 3 and verse 4 shouldn’t be what?
16. How long had the man had the “infirmity”/illness?
17. Why would most people have avoided places where they had to pass among the sick and suffering?
18. Apparently, the invalid held to what belief regarding the water?
19. The man’s response to Jesus’ question revealed what about him?
20. What kind of religion has no power to heal?
21. This man’s view of God’s grace could be distilled to what?
22. What were the three commands Jesus gave to the man?
23. What words does John write to introduce us to the confrontation Jesus has with Jewish authorities in the rest of the chapter?
24. What did the healed man get accused of doing?
25. Why was it unique that Jesus found the man later in the temple?
26. It is odd that this man did not seek out whom?
27. It seems most reasonable that the healed man wanted to do what in regards to his name?
28. Jesus was not concerned with doing what in relation to every sick person He encountered?
29. What adverb followed the words “do not sin”?
30. There is no reason to link physical disablement with what?
31. In His interaction with the man, Jesus was driving at what sins?
32. What could be worse than 38 years of being so severely crippled that you cannot even get yourself up to get in the healing water?
33. Jesus called the man to what?
34. Do you take sin lightly?
35. Sin has what kind of nature?
36. Our obedience does not save us but it does testify to what?
37. Before we ever can allow ourselves to be concerned with the sins of the world, we must do what?
38. Believer, are you doing that?
39. We do not coast where?
41. God never gives us a command to obey without giving us what?
42. We are saved by grace but we are also able to do what by God’s grace?