

Sermon Discussion Guide

MARCH 15, 2020 • DO YOU WANT TO BE WELL? • STEVE DENEFF JOHN 5:1-15

PRAY

LEADER: "As I read John 5:1-15 aloud, take note of any word or short phrase that sticks out to you. After I read, we'll sit in silence for a short time, and then I'll prompt you to share that word or phrase with the group. Hear the Word of the LORD:"

Read John 5:1-15 aloud...slowly

(give people time to be silent and listen – maybe 60 seconds)

LEADER: "What word or phrase stuck out to you?"

Give everyone time to respond with a word or a phrase. Encourage people not to explain, just share the word or phrase. Pray a **brief** thanksgiving to God for speaking through the Scripture.

ENCOURAGE

What encouragement did we receive from God through this Scripture?

REFLECT AND CORRECT

Did God challenge your actions, thoughts, or dispositions with this passage? If so, share this with the group.

TEACH

Teaching Summary

This has to do with our dis-ease: Do I still believe in wellness; do I think it is possible and do I really want it for myself? What about the change will be most disruptive?

Discussion Questions

- 1. Have you ever had a vision of wholeness for your life but were unwilling to change? Share about that experience.
- 2. What would a vision of wholeness look like for your life? Why do you want what it is you desire for your life? Is that your desire or someone else's desire for you?
- 3. What are a few things that have become "normal" for you that you know aren't best for you? When do you plan to change or get rid of those things?
- 4. What do you think Jesus wants for you? What are you discerning that Jesus wants you to do? What would it look like to start doing this?

Transformation Questions

- 1. What do you think God is saying to you?
- 2. What is keeping you from doing this?
- 3. If you were to do it, what might be a good first step?
- 4. Who will you tell? Or who will you ask to help you?