

WANTING WELLNESS

As preached on Sunday, October 26th

Read: John 5:1-15

1. Have you ever struggled with an illness or physical limitation of some kind that simply would not go away? How did/does it feel to be stuck in that situation?
2. As Jesus arrives to the Pool of Bethesda in today's text, he encounters great need. Who does he encounter there? Why are they there at the pool?
3. When Jesus heals the man at the pool, how do the religious leaders who are there respond? Why do they respond in this way? Do you think they fully grasped the healing that had occurred?
4. In what ways does Jesus' interaction with the man at the pool display the extravagance of God's love and grace? Take a moment to read Romans 5:6. In what ways has the extravagance of God's love and grace been extended to us?
5. In v.14, Jesus tells the man he has healed, "*Stop sinning or something worse may happen to you.*" What does he mean by this?
6. In what ways do both the grace and truth of God shine through in this passage?
7. How have you responded to Jesus' question: "*Do you want to get well?*"