

October 8/Day 281

John 5

Verse 1

- Why did Jesus go up to Jerusalem?

Verses 2-17

- The pool at Bethesda had five porticos. A portico is a porch.
- What kinds of people lay by the pool?
- How many people lay by the pool?
- Why?
- How long had the main character been sick?
- What question did Jesus ask the man? Did you find this a strange question considering he was there for healing?
- What is our application?
- On what day of the week did this happen?
- Why was it not permissible for the man to carry his pallet?
- Does it seem like this man's illness was due to his sin based on what Jesus said? Sometimes our illnesses are due to our sin, but not always, as we will see in another passage.
- Verse 16 begins with an important phrase. "For this reason" answers the question "Why"? So, why were the Pharisees persecuting Jesus?

Verse 18

- Here's another "For this reason". What did they want to do with Him here?
- If Jesus was calling God His Father, these men would consider Him a blasphemer. Did Jesus know this?

Verses 19-24

- What did Jesus say here about the Father and the son?
- Who is judge?
- What does He say about those who do not honor the Son? What is the application for us? What was the application for the Pharisees? Did they receive Jesus?

Verses 25-29

- What will happen to the dead?
- Why do you think it mentions good and evil deeds here? Do we receive eternal life by our good deed, our morality, or our works? Some take this out of context to claim we do, but read on.

Verse 30

- Why is Jesus a fair and just judge?

Verses 31-32

- Who is the other who testifies about Jesus?

Verses 33-35

- Who was the lamp?

Verse 36

- This is the witness of His works.

Verses 37-39

- This is about the witness of the Father.

Verses 39-47

- This is about the witness of the Scriptures.
- Those who are unwilling to come to Him will not have what?
- Did you know there are some who are unwilling to come to Him? The Pharisees were unwilling. There are some who claim to be Christians, yet they are unwilling.
- Who were these men willing to receive?
- Who accuses before the Father, according to this passage? How so? Think about it, what does He represent?
- These men followed the law to a “t”, but if these men truly believed Moses, who else would they believe, and why?

See you tomorrow.