

**SURPASSING JESUS:**  
***The Healing That Mobilizes Many ...***  
**John 5:1-15, 17**

- i. The true story of former NFL player Karl Kassulke.
- ii. 38 years is a long time to lay on a mat.

Two Question and a Reminder that will help to heal all of us...

**I. DO YOU WANT TO GET WELL? V 1-9**

- A. A balance between sovereignty and human responsibility.
- B. Some thought the pool had special healing powers, if you were the first one.
- C. Jesus would help but in an unexpected manner.
- D. Some folks just don't want to get well.
- E. Some folks do—Jesus is in the healing business!

**II. or ARE YOU A LIST KEEPER?**

- A. A hinge in John's gospel. Chapters 1-4 reveal the glory of Jesus. Chapter five onwards depict a struggle with the list keepers.
- B. The list keepers couldn't celebrate anything good being done.
- C. Instead it became a long list of things that didn't measure up.
- D. The lame man is a Judas figure in the story.

**CONCLUSION:** How do you want to get well today? Get up! Pick up your mat and walk.

Verse 17: God is always at God's work to this very day, and I, too, am working." ~ Jesus