

MIRACLES

GOD'S POWER AT WORK IN YOU

Poolside Miracle

Sunday, October 28, 2012

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Introduction:

- Instant results... waiting for 38 years
- Faith the believes the impossible

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Afterward Jesus returned to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish holy days. Inside the city, near the Sheep Gate, was the pool of Bethesda, with five covered porches. Crowds of sick people—blind, lame, or paralyzed—lay on the porches. One of the men lying there had been sick for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him and knew he had been ill for a long time, he asked him, "Would you like to get well?" "I can't, sir," the sick man said, "for I have no one to put me into the pool when the water bubbles up. Someone else always gets there ahead of me." Jesus told him, "Stand up, pick up your mat, and walk!" Instantly, the man was healed! He rolled up his sleeping mat and began walking! **John 5:1-9**

Waiting for a miracle...

1. What is my _____?

I am the LORD who heals you.

Exodus 15:26b

2. How big is _____?

O Sovereign LORD, you have only begun to show your greatness and the strength of your hand to me, your servant. Is there any god in heaven or on earth who can perform such great and mighty deeds as you do? **Deut. 3:24**

3. What is God _____?

- _____ - *Take off your sandals* [Exodus 3:5]
- _____ - *Build an ark* [Genesis 6:14]
- _____ - *Wash seven times* [2 Kings 5:10]
- _____ - *Come* [Matt 14:29]

My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. **John 10:27**

He said, "If you will listen carefully to the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in his sight, obeying his commands and keeping all his decrees, then I will not make you suffer any of the diseases I sent on the Egyptians; for I am the LORD who heals you." **Exodus 15:26**

Next Steps:

- Re-read today's Bible story / verses this week
- Memorize Mark 10:27 (series memory verse)
- I Confess that my "handicap"/problems often seem bigger than God's ability to change it
- I commit to do what God wants me to do, specifically : _____
- Ask God to heal my handicap: _____

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