

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Share a time or a situation when you have been tempted to lose hope.

What are the things in your life that cause you to prioritize physical things over spiritual?

Where are you needing Jesus to intervene in your life?



CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER

Share some of your favorite things about fall (i.e. leaves, football, hot cider, etc.)

Which of these would be the hardest to give up and why?

Take a moment and share with each other the kind of church you grew up in.

Share with each other how you came to Bridge Bible Church.

PRIMER

What stood out to you from Sunday's sermon?

DISCUSSING GOD'S WORD

We are in a sermon series on the Gospel of John. In Sunday's sermon, Pastor Craig talked about how Jesus intervened in a man's life physically and spiritually. We also see a response from the religious leaders. Read John 5:1-11 as a group.

Describe the scene in V. 1-5

How did the Jews respond to the healing in V.10-12? What does this reveal about their priorities?

What is the significance of Jesus asking the paralytic, "Do you want to be healed?" (V.6)

What does Jesus say to the man after the encounter with the Pharisees? (V.14)

How did the man respond to Jesus in V.7? Does his response to Jesus seem valid? Why or why not?

What does Jesus' words to the man reveal about His priorities for us? What do Jesus' words reveal to us about who Jesus claimed to be?

What did the man believe would heal his body?

What do you think was the man's greatest need after reading this passage?

What does Jesus say in response? (V.8)

Is there any significance to Jesus saying, "Get up, take your bed, and walk."? (V.8)

What are some conclusions you can draw about God's law vs. man's rules?