



Four Lessons About Miracles from John 5:1-15:

#1 - Do I know what I REALLY WANT?

When Jesus saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time, he asked him, "Do you want to get well?" John 5:6 NIV

See also Mark 10:51, Matthew 20:32, Luke 18:41, Mark 10:36

#2 - Sometimes Jesus performs a miracle because of HIS OWN REASONS.

Then Jesus said to him, "Get up! Pick up your mat and walk." John 5:8 NIV

Jesus heals this lame man despite:

- A. HIS LACK OF FAITH.
- B. HIS LACK OF DESIRE.
- C. HIS LACK OF RIGHTEOUSNESS.

#3 - RULES don't trump RELATIONSHIPS.

The day on which this took place was a Sabbath, and so the Jewish leaders said to the man who had been healed, "It is the Sabbath; the law forbids you to carry your mat." John 5:9b-10 NIV

#4 - Jesus is responsible for the miracle. I am responsible for MY RESPONSE.

Later Jesus found him at the temple and said to him, "See, you are well again. Stop sinning or something worse may happen to you." The man went away and told the Jewish leaders that it was Jesus who had made him well." John 5:14-15 NIV