



JOURNEY WITH Jesus

TITLE: LORD, WAKE ME UP
SCRIPTURE: JOHN 5:1-18

OPENING THOUGHT

SOMETIMES WE LIE BESIDE FALSE HOPES FOR SO LONG THAT WE BEGIN TO BELIEVE HEALING IS OUT OF REACH. BUT JESUS ENTERS OUR BROKENNESS WITH A QUESTION: DO YOU WANT TO BE MADE WELL? REAL TRANSFORMATION STARTS WHEN WE ANSWER HIM FROM THE DEPTHS OF OUR DESIRE.

KEY VERSES FOR MEDITATION

- HEALING
- DESIRE
- TRANSFORMATION
- LEGALISM

KEY SCRIPTURE

"WHEN JESUS SAW HIM LYING THERE AND KNEW THAT HE HAD ALREADY BEEN THERE A LONG TIME, HE SAID TO HIM, 'DO YOU WANT TO BE HEALED?'" - JOHN 5:6

KEY VERSES FOR MEDITATION

- JOHN 5:6-8
- PSALM 13:1-2
- REVELATION 12:11
- MATTHEW 23:23-24
- MATTHEW 12:43-45

KEY POINTS

1. BETHESDA REPRESENTS HUMANITY WITHOUT CHRIST: A PLACE FILLED WITH BROKENNESS AND FALSE HOPE.
2. DESIRE IS THE FIRST STEP TOWARD HEALING: JESUS ASKS A SURPRISING QUESTION TO STIR A DEEP RESPONSE.
3. HEALING BEGINS WITH OBEDIENCE TO CHRIST'S WORD: "GET UP, TAKE UP YOUR MAT AND WALK."
4. LEGALISM MISSES THE MIRACLE: THE PHARISEES WERE MORE CONCERNED WITH THE MAT THAN THE MIRACLE.
5. TRUE HEALING IS HOLISTIC: JESUS CARES FOR OUR SOUL EVEN MORE THAN OUR BODY.

5 DISCUSSION QUESTION'S

1. WHAT IS YOUR "MAT"? WHAT BROKEN AREA IN YOUR LIFE ARE YOU WAITING ON HEALING FOR?
2. WHY DO YOU THINK JESUS ASKED THE MAN IF HE WANTED TO BE HEALED?
3. HAVE YOU EVER BECOME COMFORTABLE IN DYSFUNCTION? WHAT HELPED YOU BREAK FREE?
4. HOW CAN WE AVOID THE TRAP OF LEGALISM AND FOCUS ON THE HEART OF JESUS?
5. WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR YOUR SOUL TO BE "OCCUPIED" BY THE HOLY SPIRIT?

40 WORD DESCRIPTION

IN A WORLD FULL OF BROKENNESS AND FALSE HOPE, JESUS ASKS A PIERCING QUESTION: DO YOU WANT TO BE MADE WELL? THIS MESSAGE INVITES US TO AWAKEN, DESIRE REAL CHANGE, AND WALK BOLDLY IN HEALING AND TRUTH THROUGH CHRIST.

CLOSING ENCOURAGEMENT

JESUS IS STILL ASKING, DO YOU WANT TO BE MADE WELL? HE MEETS US IN OUR WAITING, CALLS US OUT OF COMFORT ZONES, AND OFFERS TRUE TRANSFORMATION. PICK UP YOUR MAT AND WALK-YOUR STORY COULD BE THE VERY THING THAT SETS SOMEONE ELSE FREE.