

**A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study**  
**Date: January 31, 2021**  
**Fulfilled – John 5:1-9a**

1. When, according to 5:1, does this story happen?
  - a. The next day, right after Jesus was in Galilee.
  - b. Some time later.
  
2. What was Jesus doing, according to 5:1, when this story happened? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. What do verses 2-3 tell us about the pool near the sheep gate?
  - a. There was one.
  - b. It was called Bethesda (Do we know this name & word in our country/culture?).
  - c. A great number of disabled people used to lie there.
  
4. Please read verse 4. Wait, what happened? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Read <http://www.biblestudymagazine.com/bible-study-magazine-blog/2014/04/who-took-verse-4-out-of-my-bible> if you want an easy-to-tread explanation)
  
5. What was so special about this pool?
  - a. We don't know.
  - b. Verses 3-4 suggest that a healing from the Lord would come to the first one into the pool, although these verses are not in every manuscript.
  - c. From verse 7, it seems that they saw some connection to being the first in the pool and healing.
  
6. What did Jesus ask the one disabled man, according to verse 6? \_\_\_\_\_
  
7. What was the man's response?
  - a. He didn't really answer the question.
  - b. He explained why he couldn't possibly be healed.
  - c. The man seems hopeless.
  
8. Have you ever felt hopeless to receive healing or help? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Describe your experience. \_\_\_\_\_
  
9. What happens when we feel hopeless?
  - a. We work really hard.
  - b. We give up.
  
10. What did Jesus tell the man to do, according to verse 8?
  - a. He explained to him how, if he really wanted to get well, he would figure out how to get in faster.
  - b. He patted him on the back and told him he believed in him.
  - c. He solved the problem...told him to Get up!
  
11. How did the man respond to Jesus's command? \_\_\_\_\_  
How would you have responded? \_\_\_\_\_  
What did Jesus tell you to do in your hopelessness? \_\_\_\_\_