

Sunday, August 16

John 5
“Do You Want
to Be Healed?”

Questions God Asks

To read before class: John 5

How does John 5 fit into the larger story of Jesus and the Gospel of John? Big-picture-wise, what's going on?

John 5:16-18 describes a very tense situation. Why have things grown to be so tense?

John 5:19-47 is critically important to our understanding of Jesus and his mission. How would you summarize what Jesus is communicating?

In 5:6, Jesus asks the man who had been an invalid a simple question: “Do you want to be healed?” Why? Why would an all-knowing God ask a question like that?

- ❖ What does this interaction tell us about Jesus?
- ❖ What does this interaction tell us about the man who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years?
- ❖ Most close to home, what impression should this interaction make on us?