

# **CHRIST AT THE POOL BETHESDA**

## **JOHN 5:1-9**

### **I. THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH THE REJECTION OF ISRAEL'S MESSIAH BEGAN (5:1-4)**

#### **A. The Time (5:1)**

1. One Of The Hebrew Festivals
2. Significance Of John's Reference Points

#### **B. The Place (5:2)**

1. Generally: Jerusalem
2. Specifically: A Pool Called "Bethesda"

#### **C. The People (5:3-4)**

1. People With Incurable Infirmities Lay At The Pool
2. Each One Nourished The Hope That He Would Be The Beneficiary Of Occasional Supernaturalism Within In the Water

### **II. THE SIGN MIRACLE THAT IGNITED THE CONTROVERSY REGARDING ISRAEL'S MESSIAH (5:5-9)**

#### **A. One Lay There With A Thirty Eight Year Infirmity (5:5)**

#### **B. A Conversation Ensues Between The Lord And This Man (5:6-7)**

1. The Lord Asks Him If He Would Like To Be Healed (5:6)
2. The Man Can Only Respond with A Statement Which Recounted A History Of Impossibilities (5:7)

#### **C. The Lord Does Not Even Respond To The Man's Sorry Story (5:8-9)**

1. He Simply Utters Three Commands (5:8)
2. The Man Was Immediately Made Whole On The Sabbath (5:9)