**Book of John Series Ch 5:1-24**

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Joh 5:1-24 After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 2 Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep *Gate* a pool, which is called in Hebrew, Bethesda, having five porches. 3 In these lay a great multitude of sick people, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. 4 For an angel went down at a certain time into the pool and stirred up the water; then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of whatever disease he had. 5 Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years. 6 When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been *in that condition* a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" 7 The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; but while I am coming, another steps down before me." 8 Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your bed and walk." 9 And immediately the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked. And that day was the Sabbath.10 The Jews therefore said to him who was cured, "It is the Sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your bed." 11 He answered them, "He who made me well said to me, 'Take up your bed and walk.' " 12 Then they asked him, "Who is the Man who said to you, 'Take up your bed and walk'?" 13 But the one who was healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, a multitude being in *that* place. 14 Afterward Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you have been made well. Sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon you." 15 The man departed and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well. 16 For this reason the Jews persecuted Jesus, and sought to kill Him, because He had done these things on the Sabbath. 17 But Jesus answered them, "My Father has been working until now, and I have been working." 18 Therefore the Jews sought all the more to kill Him, because He not only broke the Sabbath, but also said that God was His Father, making Himself equal with God. 19 Then Jesus answered and said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner. **20** For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself does; and He will show Him greater works than these, that you may marvel. 21 For as the Father raises the dead and gives life to *them,* even so the Son gives life to whom He will. 22 For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son, 23 that all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him. 24 "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life.

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**HEALING TESTIMONIES John 5:1-9**
 In this passage we see supernatural healings happening in this pool stirred by an angel of God. What proof do we have this is true? The witnesses themselves and their actions testify of the truth. The water alone could not heal otherwise people would just go there and get immersed and then healed.

Mat 9:2-6 And, behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy; Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee. 3 And, behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This *man* blasphemeth. 4 And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts? 5 For whether is easier, to say, *Thy* sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk? 6 But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house.

**THE LAW KILLS FOR HEALING? John 5:10-13**

Exo 20:10 But the seventh day *is* the sabbath of the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates:

Num 15:32-36 And while the children of Israel were in the wilderness, they found a man that gathered sticks upon the sabbath day. 33 And they that found him gathering sticks brought him unto Moses and Aaron, and unto all the congregation. 34 And they put him in ward, because it was not declared what should be done to him. 15 And the LORD said unto Moses, The man shall be surely put to death: all the congregation shall stone him with stones without the camp. 36 And all the congregation brought him without the camp, and stoned him with stones, and he died; as the LORD commanded Moses.

2Co 3:6-18 Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life. 7 But if the ministration of death, written *and* engraven in stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance; which *glory* was to be done away: 8 How shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious? 9 For if the ministration of condemnation *be* glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory 10 For even that which was made glorious had no glory in this respect, by reason of the glory that excelleth. 11 For if that which is done away *was* glorious, much more that which remaineth *is* glorious. 12 Seeing then that we have such hope, we use great plainness of speech: 13 And not as Moses, *which* put a vail over his face, that the children of Israel could not stedfastly look to the end of that which is abolished: 14 But their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which *vail* is done away in Christ. 15 But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart. 16 Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away. 17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord *is,* there *is* liberty. 1**8** But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, *even* as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Lastly, Jesus is the Lord of the Sabbath. He came to heal so He could ‘work’ or heal on the Sabbath. Sabbath was made for man, not the other way around. It was a meant for a rest to benefit mankind. The Hebrews stoned those that worked on Sabbath because it was a direct disobedience to God’s command to them in the desert where strict compliance was necessary for natural survival.

**Mar\_2:27** And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath:

**SIN NO MORE? John 5:14**

We see this idea of ‘sinning no more’ repeated in John 8:11

**Joh 8:11** She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more.

So, I searched the term, ‘sin no more’ and only found this passage: Jer\_31:34 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

Obedience which should be equated with belief is found thousands of times in the Old and New Testaments. Here is why it should be equated:

**Joh 3:16** For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

**Joh 3:36** He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

**Joh 3:36** He that believeth on the Son hath eternal life; but he that obeyeth not the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abideth on him.

**Strong’s G544 ἀπειθέω apeitheō *ap-i-theh'-o***

From G545; to *disbelieve* (wilfully and perversely): - not believe, disobedient, obey not, unbelieving.

**1Pe 2:6-9** Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded. 7 Unto you therefore which believe *he is* precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner, 8 And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, *even to them* which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed. 9 But ye *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

**JEWS HATING JESUS John 5:15-21**

The Jews were looking for a way to kill Jesus almost from the beginning of His ministry when John the Baptist proclaimed Him to be the Lamb of God which takes away the sin of the world. The Pharisees were jealous that the people naturally and spiritually followed after John who then pointed to Him. He provided healings, provision, and good doctrine to the people. The Pharisees saw Him as a threat to their position, rank, esteem, provision, etc. which revealed their hearts about what their ministry to the people. It was governed by selfishness vs. selflessness. Godly spiritual leaders will be sacrificial in their lives toward the sheep as the Great Shepherd was toward all mankind.

**Joh 7:19** Did not Moses give you the law, and *yet* none of you keepeth the law? Why go ye about to kill me?

**Joh 10:32-39** Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of those works do ye stone me? **33** The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God. 34 Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods? 35 If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken; 36 Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God? 37 If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not. 38 But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe, that the Father *is* in me, and I in him. 39 Therefore they sought again to take him: but he escaped out of their hand,

**Ps 82:6** I have said, Ye *are* gods; and all of you *are* children of the most High.

**JESUS THE JUDGE John 5:22-24**

I find it incredible that Jews, Muslims, Unitarians, JW’s and every other religion that falls short of the true religion delivered by the Holy Ghost always diminish the diety, authority, and honor to the Son of God, Jesus Christ.

**Matt 11:27** All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and *he* to whomsoever the Son will reveal *him.*

**Mat 28:18** And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

**Act 17:31** Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by *that* man whom he hath ordained; *whereof* he hath given assurance unto all *men,* in that he hath raised him from the dead.

**1Pe 4:5** Who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the quick and the dead.

In conclusion, We find that though there were supernatural testimonies/witnesses of Jesus’ authority by healings, teachings, and forgiving of sin, that the religious hypocrites wanted Jesus dead for the very things that proved He was/is God. Then God gives simple instruction to the man He healed. The jews hated Jesus unto death and they should have been able to see, but Moses’ law veiled them from understanding. Finally we are to HONOR the JUDGE!