

# MESSAGE NOTES

My 52: QUESTIONS FOR JESUS: What Do I Do With My Doubts?  
Chapter 24: What Do We Need From Jesus?

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Jesus is not a \_\_\_\_\_ to an end; Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ the end.

John 5:1-6

1) We need \_\_\_\_\_ to reveal what's really \_\_\_\_\_ in us.

Psalm 139:23, " \_\_\_\_\_ me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious \_\_\_\_\_."

2) We don't just need Jesus to fix what's \_\_\_\_\_; we need Jesus to search what's \_\_\_\_\_.

John 5:7-8

3) We need Jesus to do what we cannot do for \_\_\_\_\_.

John 5:8, "Stand up, pick up your mat, and \_\_\_\_\_."

4) When Jesus \_\_\_\_\_, dead things \_\_\_\_\_.

John 5:9-18

5) We need Jesus as \_\_\_\_\_, not just as \_\_\_\_\_.

6) Following Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_, but \_\_\_\_\_ we follow Him is not.

# SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

*For the week of June 14, 2026*

## OPENING DISCUSSION | Let's Get the Discussion Started

- 1) What are some awards or accomplishments you have received in your life? How did receiving that recognition make you feel?
- 2) What "tells" do you have that give away that you want something?

## BIBLICAL REFLECTION | What Does God Say About This?

- 1) Read John 5:1-9. What details stand out about the man Jesus heals?
- 2) In John 5:6, Jesus asks him an obvious question, "Do you want to get well?" Why do you think Jesus asks a question that seems to have an obvious answer?

Have you ever found yourself focusing more on why something cannot change than on what God might be able to do?

Think of a time you went to Jesus. What was your heart posture in that request? Is it possible you were taking Jesus for granted?

- 3) Read John 5:14-15. After being healed, the man goes and tells the Jewish leaders that Jesus is the one who healed him. Knowing that the leaders had already challenged him about carrying his mat on the Sabbath (John 5:10-12), why do you think he chose to identify Jesus as the healer?

Who do you tend to seek approval from? Have you ever hesitated to give Jesus credit for something He has done in your life because you were concerned about how others might respond?

- 4) In this story, Jesus demonstrates that true healing is not just about changing our circumstances, but about transforming our relationship with God. How have you seen God use difficult circumstances to do deeper work in your life?

## PRACTICAL APPLICATION | Walking It Out

Take the Challenge: Share the story of Matthew with a pre-Christian friend. Then ask, "Do you think people assume you are less interested in God than you actually are?"