

a lenten devotional



## Reflect | John 5:5-9

- 1. Watch *The Chosen*, Season 2, Episode 4, from 45:50–50:11.
- 2. What connects with you from the *Chosen's* depiction of the Scriptures.
- 3. Referencing John 5, Jesus enters the man's messiness with the question, "Do you want to get well?" Why do you think Jesus does this?
- 4. What do you think and feel about how the man responded?
- 5. If Jesus asked you "Do you want to get well?" what would it be concerning?
- 6. Do you have a similar response, a reason why you can't be "healed" right now?
- 7. What were the practical steps Jesus took to heal the man?
- 8. If Jesus is speaking to you to "get up" right now, can you start that this week? Where and how do you need help?

**Respond** | Following the example of Jesus from this passage, who in your sphere of influence is stuck in their messiness and could use your help to be noticed, engaged with, listened to and encouraged towards Jesus? If you are in a small group share the initials of your person and pray for them to move beyond the excuses and trust Jesus.

Resource | Register for Slowing to Hear | Lent Saturday, March 2 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. | Oak Brook ChristChurch.us/slowing

Remember Lent | Audio Devotional Week 2 | Loving Like Jesus When We Are Stuck in Our Messy Lives

