

SIGNS

Week 4

BRBC Groups

March 19, 2023

Scripture | John 5:1-28

Ice Breaker |

1. Are you more like Oscar the Grouch or Superman when you get sick?
2. When something is difficult, do you work through it and get it done or make excuses as to why it can't be done?

Going Deeper |

1. Is there anything that stood out to you from Sunday's message, or do you have any questions?
2. Read John 5:1-15
3. How do you picture the setting of this story (verses 2-4)? What is the smell? The sounds? The atmosphere?
4. How would you picture the paralyzed man in verse 5?
5. What do you think Jesus means with his question to the man?
6. Why do you think the man responded as he did to Jesus?
7. What would you say if Jesus asked you if you wanted to be well or to resolve something of great concern? What might prevent you from saying yes?
8. How do you think the man felt in verse 9?
9. When Jesus encounters the man in verse 14, how do you understand Jesus' statement? Do you think there is a connection between sin and sickness? Or is there something else Jesus is expressing?
10. Read John 5:16-28
11. Why were the Jews persecuting Jesus?
12. What is Jesus' response to the persecution?
13. What claims does Jesus make about himself?
14. When you read this story, are there any characters you can relate to? Which ones and why?
15. Do you expect God to respond when you pray and ask Him for something? Why or why not?
16. Has God ever responded to you or your prayers in a way you didn't expect? Please share that experience.