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Some time later, Jesus went up to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish festivals. ² Now there is in Jerusalem near the Sheep Gate a pool, which in Aramaic is called Bethesda and which is surrounded by five covered colonnades.

³ Here a great number of disabled people used to lie—the blind, the lame, the paralyzed.

⁵ One who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years.

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⁶ When Jesus saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time, he asked him, “Do you want to get well?”

⁷ “Sir,” the invalid replied, “I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred. While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me.”

A flock of birds is flying in a V-formation against a sunset sky. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, orange and yellow glow. The birds are silhouetted against the bright sky.

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⁸ Then Jesus said to him, “Get up! Pick up your mat and walk.”

⁹ At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked.

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The day on which this took place was a Sabbath, ¹⁰ and so the Jewish leaders said to the man who had been healed, “It is the Sabbath; the law forbids you to carry your mat.”

¹¹ But he replied, “The man who made me well said to me, ‘Pick up your mat and walk.’ ”

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¹² So they asked him, “Who is this fellow who told you to pick it up and walk?”

¹³ The man who was healed had no idea who it was, for Jesus had slipped away into the crowd that was there.

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¹⁴ Later Jesus found him at the temple and said to him, “See, you are well again. Stop sinning or something worse may happen to you.”

¹⁵ The man went away and told the Jewish leaders that it was Jesus who had made him well.

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¹⁶ So, because Jesus was doing these things on the Sabbath, the Jewish leaders began to persecute Him.

¹⁷ In His defence Jesus said to them, "My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I too am working."

¹⁸ For this reason they tried all the more to kill Him; not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but He was even calling God His own Father, making Himself equal with God.

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