

Wholeness In Christ

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John 5:1-9

1. The Sheep Gate

- i. Bethesda – the place or house of mercy
- ii. People are likened to sheep by Jesus
 - Isaiah in 53:6 "*All we like sheep have gone astray...*"
- iii. The sick, blind, lame, withered, waiting to be healed

2. Some Characteristics of Sheep

- i. Sheep are dumb animals
- ii. Sheep have no sense of direction
- iii. Sheep copy one another
- iv. Sheep are foolish
- v. Sheep are stubborn
- vi. Sheep are easily frightened
- vii. Sheep are defenseless against predators
- viii. Sheep isolate themselves when they get sick
- ix. Sheep are restless and demanding
- x. Sheep are dependent
- xi. Sheep are easily attacked by parasites and blowfly
- xii. Sheep can get into a "Cast Down" position when well-fed

3. Jesus - the Good Shepherd

- i. The Lord is my Shepherd – Psalm 23
- ii. Willing to give His life for the sheep

4. The man with an infirmity for 38 years

- i. Do you desire to be made whole?
 - Wholeness begins with a decision
 - Wholeness is also a journey