

in the porches, waiting to get down into the water. Jesus was always going about doing good, so he went in amongst the sick ones to see if he could help somebody.

Jesus noticed especially a poor man who was

lying on the floor on his mat (mat-line) quite helpless. No friends were there to help him to get down the steps into the water. The man had been sick for thirty-eight years. Jesus was very sorry for him. He went over to him and said, "Would you like

to be made well?" The poor man said, "Yes, but I have no one to put me into the water when it is moving, but while I am trying to get down the steps into the pool, somebody else always steps in before me."

Helping Ourselves—Jesus saw that the man had done all he could to help himself, and that is the time when Jesus helps people.

Jesus Helping the Man—He said to the man, "Rise, take up thy bed, and walk," and at once the man became strong, and

rose and rolled up his mat and walked away. Just think how happy that man was! Surely he thanked Jesus again and again!

The Jews Are Angry—When the Jews saw this man walking along the street, they stopped

him and said, "It is not lawful for you to carry your bed on Sunday." "He that made me well, told me to do so," the man replied. "Who told you to do this?" the angry Jews asked, but the man did not know that it was Jesus, for Jesus had gone

quietly away from the place. Jesus afterwards found the man in the temple and said, "You are made well; go and sin no more for fear a worse thing may come upon you." Jesus cured him

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The man went out and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had cured him.

What the Lesson Teaches Me—JESUS WILL HELP ME.

FROM THE PLATFORM

**THE CASE
CURE
CRITICS
CAUTION**

Ask the scholars for the heads of the Lesson Plan, and print them on the blackboard as above. In speaking of the CASE, emphasize its desperate nature. The points are the long standing of the disease, and the man's friendlessness and hopelessness. Next, bring out a description of the CURE, dwelling upon its instantaneousness and its completeness. Take up, thirdly, the CRITICS. Discuss, briefly, what sort of things it is right to do on the Sabbath day, showing that whatever Jesus permits or commands, must be right. Finally, take up the CAUTION which Jesus gave to the healed man in the temple. Dwell, in closing, on the terrible evil of sin and on the power and willingness of Jesus to save from it.