

## The Art of Encountering Jesus

### “Encountering Power”

#### John 5:1-15

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Jesus could be the one, you could be the next, today could be the day!

The question is not whether people will encounter Jesus.

The question is whose turn is next!

#### Encountering the Power of Jesus means...

· New possibility (vv. 1-6)

\* cope or hope?

· New identity (v. 7)

\* victim or victor?

· New authority (vv. 8-15)

\* world or Jesus?

Do you want to get well?

#### FOR FURTHER ACTION AND REFLECTION

- Memorize John 20:31
- Read Romans 8:31-39, 2 Corinthians 4:7-10, Romans 7:14-25, 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- Listen to “Victor’s Crown” by Darlene Zschech  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2nBOGA6X2g>
- Listen to “Waymaker”  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SE\\_M9noEhNE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SE_M9noEhNE)
- Watch Tony Evans talk about the power of God’s Word to transform - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YJSrPUg8Bjc>

#### QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

1. What stood out to you most from the message?
2. In honor of Mother’s Day, share about how your mom or another influential woman in your life has been a blessing to you.
3. Discuss a time when you had to come to terms with your limitations.
4. What does “nothing is impossible with God” (Luke 1:37) really mean? Explain in your own words.
5. Describe in your own words the difference between being a “victim” and a “victor.” When have you been tempted to function more like a victim than a victory?
6. What other Bible verses help to give us identity as a victor through the victory of Christ?
7. Share about a time when Jesus did more than you could have imagined as you followed Him in faith.
8. What is a word you believe Jesus is speaking to you in this season that you need to obey. What difference might it make to obey His word?!