

## Following Jesus (4) To The Healing Pool

### Text: John 5:1-9

- It's easy to \_\_\_\_\_ others for our problems.
- In Jesus we can be \_\_\_\_\_.
- I Corinthians 6:9-11
- "Pick up your mat" is a \_\_\_\_\_ to the power of God.
- I Timothy 1:13-17
- Don't doubt God's \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ to keep his promises.

### For Group Discussion

1. Why do some people choose to stay in miserable, even harmful, circumstances? What does it say about them psychologically, emotionally? What needs to happen for them to make a change?
2. What is harmful about playing "The Blame Game?" How does blaming affect how we deal with what we don't like about our lives?
3. Share "pick up your mat" stories. What testimony to God's power can you share with others? Can you share some situations where you decided to "stay on your mat?" How has that affected your life?
4. What does it mean to be "new" in Christ?



**“Springs will gush forth in the wilderness and streams will water the desert”**

**Isaiah 35:6**

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### **Services Sunday**

**Bible Class 9:30 AM**

**Worship 10:30 AM**

**Wednesday Bible Study  
6:30 pm**

### **Elders**

**Mike Coplan 775-6855**

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### **Teaching Minister**

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### **Youth & Family Minister**

**Tyler Cope 703-6300**

A Christian lady, blind from birth, was asked, "How can you sing 'Amazing Grace'?" She replied, "I stand and sing with all faith in the God who never leaves me and who fills me with the joy of the Spirit, 'Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, and I still can't see!'"

How easy it would be for her to be bitter, to have a permanent "poor me" attitude, to be angry with God, to use her blindness as an excuse for everything wrong or difficult in her life. Instead she has embraced the God of grace, believing he can use her to his glory. And, who knows, he might even heal her someday!

It's easy to make excuses for why our lives are not what they should be, why we've not accomplished our life goals, why our lives don't manifest the devotion they should for the God from whom we have received everything good in our lives. The problem with excuses? They don't "hold much water" with God. As we follow Jesus today, we'll be led to look honestly at ourselves and to focus on the One who can give us all we need for life.

**Glenn**



**Good Morning  
and Welcome**

A special good morning to our visitors. We are glad that you came to worship with us today. We assemble to praise to God and to encourage each other.

We would like to have a record of your visit. Please fill out a Blue attendance card and place it in the collection plate when it is passed.

**SUNDAY NIGHT GROUP MEETINGS  
5:00 PM**

Peel: Doug & Melissa Christensen  
209 Meandering Way

Robinette/Ayers: Rudy's BBQ

Rubio (Jr.): JR & Lavy Rubio  
100 Hartgrove

Vera/Gonzalez: Joe & Susana Rubio  
401 E. Gutierrez

Lyman/Lissner: Laura Lissner  
513 15th St.

Teens: Church Bldg.  
Morning Star Coffee Shop

Church Bldg: Sanctuary

**ATTENDANCE**  
SNBS—Oct 18 - 73 (Visitors—2)  
Wed. Oct 20th Bible Study—57

**IN OUR PRAYERS**

Johnnie Fletcher is now at home recuperating, doing good

Joe Robinette's nephew Jay Flowers Deployed to middle east

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Ladies shopping trip—San Angelo**  
Saturday, Nov. 7th  
Leaving in Church van—7:00 am

**TRUNK or TREAT**  
Saturday, October 31  
4-6 pm  
Central Church of Christ  
Contact Allison Mercier if you can help  
**Individually wrapped bags of candy are needed. Leave in Tyler's office**

**Sunny Glen Children's Home**  
Grocery Pick Up  
Dec. 15-16, 2009  
Liquid laundry Detergent,  
All Purpose Cleaner and Kids Juices are needed

If you have information to place in the Bulletin, please contact Margie by 10:00 AM on Wednesday morning.  
  
Office: 775-3262

**THIS WEEKS HAPPENINGS**

**Ladies Bible Study**  
Mondays 7:00-9:00 pm  
Morning Star Coffee Shop

**Men's Study/Prayer Time**  
Thursdays 6:45-7:40 am  
Rudy's BBQ

**TIME CHANGE—TIME CHANGE**  
**Sun. Nov. 1 at 2:00 am**  
**Set your clocks back one hour**

**Birthdays**  
**C.E.. Thetford—Oct 27th**      **Christina Siller (Rubio) Oct. 31st**

**TRUNK or TREAT**  
Saturday, October 31. 4-6 pm Church parking lot

Wednesday  
Supper 5:30-6:30 pm  
**Taco Stew, corn bread, dessert**  
( \$3 per plate is requested )  
Bible Class 6:30-7:30 pm

**Teen Activities**  
**Wed. Oct 28th**—Lunch bunch 12 noon for all those who are out of school; I can pick you up if need be.  
**Fri. Nov 6th**—Bible Study and hangout  
**Sun. Nov. 8th** —IMPORTANT parents meeting—coffee shop after morning assembly.  
**Nov. 21st-23rd** Fall Retreat—\$45 Sign up starting Sun. Oct. 18th  
**March 15th-19th**—ski trip— The first deposit of \$75 is due Dec. 6th. You can start signing up today. See Tyler for more information.