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A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR RAYMOND

Jesus looked at him and said, "Rise, take up thy bed, and walk". John 5 v 8. Let us review this situation. This man didn't recognise Jesus, he was unable to change his mindset, he continued to confess and see his situation as it was, he was unable to see things changing. So, despite Jesus talking with this man and being in his presence, this man could only see the situation as it was, how it had been for 38 years and probably could only see the situation deteriorating. Sound familiar?

Jesus was there with him, the 'Son of God' who could change everything. Yet all he could see was his impossible situation. Today, do you see Christ there with you, in your circumstances? If so, do you know that He, the Lord Jesus Christ, is there with you in your life? But, do you know He is there with you? If so, then you must ACT regarding to what He says to you. 'Jesus looked at him and said,"Rise, take up thy bed and walk". Listen, you can understand this as you look at this man's situation, his illness. Jesus was asking him to do the impossible. 38 years, a long hard time for this man. No way was it possible for this man to do what Jesus asked him. It was impossible. If it had been possible he would have done it years ago. Jesus asks him to do the impossible. He didn't shrug it off, he didn't laugh back at Christ, he didn't ignore what Jesus said. Why not? Listen . . he didn't ignore what Jesus said because something happened when Jesus spoke. This man had to make an effort. Jesus' command to this impotent man demanding an effort in response. When you hear Jesus speaking to you, (the Word of God, the Bible), how do you respond? Jesus spoke with such power and authority that the man responded instantly. He didn't think about his situation, nor about what he was going to do, even though he knew his capabilities. This man ACTED in OBEDIENCE to Jesus' command and he put forth EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT to RISE UP FROM HIS BED. Do you HEAR GOD SPEAKING TO YOU NOW? Listen to His voice, because as this man ACTED on Christ's WORDS directly spoken to him God's healing power was released (as he ACTED) and God's healing flowed into his diseased, paralysed limbs.

Now, today, you might say, "surely not me Lord Jesus". YES . . you . . arise, take up your bed and walk.

In Jesus Name . . . AMEN.