

**A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study**  
**Date: February 3, 2021**  
**Fulfilled – John 5:9b-30**

1. The text for today begins “The day on which this took place was a Sabbath...” What (from Sunday’s Bible Study on verses 1-9a) took place on the Sabbath? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. What, according to 5:10, did the Jewish leaders say to the man who had been healed? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Does it seem odd that they would be concerned about this particular thing?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Explain. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Why was the man not allowed to carry his mat on the Sabbath?
  - a. It was one of the ten commandments (Exodus 20:8-11).
  - b. The religious law stated that people could only carry a mat if there was a person on it.
  - c. People were often corrected (even by the prophets) for doing work on the Sabbath (Nehemiah 13:15-22).
  - d. Because the Jewish leaders said so.
4. Do you think what the Jewish leaders were doing here matched up with the will (and character and nature) of God? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Explain. \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. What were the Jewish leaders concerned with (see also Matt 23:23 or Luke 11:42)?
  - a. God’s will
  - b. Their law
  - c. Compassion for the man that needed healed.
  - d. Their own desires.
6. Which of these takes up the most of your attention? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What does Jesus tell the man in verse 14?
  - a. Praise God that you’re healed.
  - b. Praise God that he loves you and has compassion on you.
  - c. Stop sinning so that nothing worse happens to you.
8. What did the man do in verse 15? \_\_\_\_\_  
Do you think verse 14 led to verse 15, or was it just the order of things (a coincidence) that they come together like this? \_\_\_\_\_  
How do you respond when Jesus has given you amazing grace, but also calls you to a different life?
9. What is the summary of Jesus’ response in verses 16-30 (see also Matt 12 & Mark 2:23-27)?
  - a. God works on the Sabbath.
  - b. I also work on the Sabbath...if it is the will of God and doing His work.
  - c. I follow after my Father like anyone does. So what I’m doing reflects Him.
  - d. The Sabbath was for people, so how can I ignore people in order follow a rule...also I wasn’t created to follow a rule. The rule was created for my benefit. It doesn’t go away, but I need to understand the rule in its proper context and do the will of God by following the intention of the rule, even if another call (compassion) supersedes this rule in some instances.
10. What is your motivation, to honor rules or to honor God? \_\_\_\_\_