

**The Book of Signs:
Reading the Sacraments in the Gospel of John
Week 3 | The Healing Signs**

1. The second sign (John 4:46-54)
 - a. Why does Jesus respond in verse 48 as he does to the official's request?
 - b. What sacrament is suggested in this passage?
 - c. What details in the passage point to this sacrament?

2. The third sign (John 5:1-18)
 - a. Why does Jesus ask the man in verse 6 whether he wants to be healed?
 - b. Is the man's deepest need a physical healing? If not, what is it?
 - c. What sacraments are evoked in this passage? What details point to these sacraments?
 - d. How does Jesus's sign on the sabbath and his conversation with the Jews reveal his true identity?

3. Sidebar: Sacramental language in chapters 3 and 4
 - a. John 3:1-21

- i. What sacrament does Jesus intend to institute?
- ii. How important is this sacrament?
- iii. What does this sacrament enable us to do and believe?

b. John 4:1-14

- i. What forerunner of a sacrament is clearly mentioned at the beginning of this passage, setting the tone for Jesus's conversation with the Samaritan woman?
- ii. What is the "living water" (verse 10) Jesus offers?
- iii. According to Jesus in verse 14, what happens to a person who drinks the living water Jesus has to give?