

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN 4:43-54

The Second Sign

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⁴³ After the two days He went forth from there into Galilee. ⁴⁴ For Jesus Himself testified that a prophet has no honor in his own country. ⁴⁵ So when He came to Galilee, the Galileans received Him, having seen all the things that He did in Jerusalem at the feast; for they themselves also went to the feast. ⁴⁶ Therefore He came again to Cana of Galilee where He had made the water wine. And there was a royal official whose son was sick at Capernaum. ⁴⁷ When he heard that Jesus had come out of Judea into Galilee, he went to Him and was imploring *Him* to come down and heal his son; for he was at the point of death. ⁴⁸ So Jesus said to him, "Unless you *people* see signs and wonders, you *simply* will not believe."

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⁴⁹ The royal official said to Him, "Sir, come down before my child dies." ⁵⁰ Jesus said to him, "Go; your son lives." The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and started off. ⁵¹ As he was now going down, his slaves met him, saying that his son was living. ⁵² So he inquired of them the hour when he began to get better. Then they said to him, "Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him." ⁵³ So the father knew that it was at that hour in which Jesus said to him, "Your son lives"; and he himself believed and his whole household. ⁵⁴ This is again a second sign that Jesus performed when He had come out of Judea into Galilee.

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➤ *We must believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, according to his **word**.*

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I. The Sign Seeking Community

- *The Galileans are seeking Jesus for a sign when they should be seeking him to be their Savior.*
- *By entering into his own country Jesus is missionally moving closer to the cross*

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II. The Sign Requested

- *The reluctance and rebuke of Jesus at the initial request reveals that true faith trusts His word, not just His works.*
- *Jesus displays his heart through extending mercy and grace toward the Royal Official*
 - a) *Jesus extends mercy in the rebuke*
 - b) *Jesus extends grace in the physical healing*

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THE SECOND SIGN**III. The Sign Confirmed**

- *The healing demonstrates the power of God's word and confirms the official's faith*

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THE SECOND SIGN**Application -**

- ❖ *Why are you seeking the Lord?*
- ❖ *Do you believe the power of God's word?*
- ❖ *Do you believe that Jesus is the Christ?*

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