

When The Crisis Hits Home

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JOHN 4:43-54 (NIV)

After the two days he left for Galilee. 44 (Now Jesus himself had pointed out that a prophet has no honor in his own country.) 45 When he arrived in Galilee, the Galileans welcomed him. They had seen all that he had done in Jerusalem at the Passover Festival, for they also had been there. 46 Once more he visited Cana in Galilee, where he had turned the water into wine. And there was a certain royal official whose son lay sick at Capernaum. 47 When this man heard that Jesus had arrived in Galilee from Judea, he went to him and begged him to come and heal his son, who was close to death. 48 "Unless you people see signs and wonders," Jesus told him, "you will never believe." 49 The royal official said, "Sir, come down before my child dies." 50 "Go," Jesus replied, "your son will live." The man took Jesus at his word and departed. 51 While he was still on the way, his servants met him with the news that his boy was living. 52 When he inquired as to the time when his son got better, they said to him, "Yesterday, at one in the afternoon, the fever left him." 53 Then the father realized that this was the exact time at which Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." So he and his whole household believed. 54 This was the second sign Jesus performed after coming from Judea to Galilee.

notes

(THE STUFF THAT STICKS OUT TO ME)

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Going Deeper

(SOME IDEAS TO PUT IT INTO PRACTICE)

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

Read John 4:43-54. What kind of welcome does Jesus receive when He returns to Galilee? How is He viewed by the Galileans? Compare why the Galileans are following Jesus around with the heart of the royal official.

Is Jesus looking for people to follow Him because of the miracles He performs? Did Jesus come to be a miracle worker? Why did He come? (see Matt. 20:28, John 3:14-17)

What are some reasons that the Lord delays answers to our prayers? What was the end result of this story (v. 53)?

A VERSE TO MEMORIZE:

1 Thessalonians 3:16-18 (NLT) - Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.

TAKE A STEP:

Reach out to someone that you know is struggling, hurting, or might be feeling lonely. If possible, spend time with them to share a meal, snack, or coffee. If not possible, give them a call.

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(\$2,092)
\$529,724
\$81,496
\$62,043
(\$19,453)

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