

“Go, Your Son Will Live”

John 4:43-54

Key Verse: 50

“Go,” Jesus replied, “your son will live.” The man took Jesus at his word and departed.

1. Where did Jesus go after leaving Samaria (43)? Before going to Galilee, what did Jesus point out to his disciples (44)? How did the Galileans respond to him and why (45)? How does the reason for their response differ from that of the Samaritans (41-42)?
2. Who came to Jesus at Cana with a problem (46)? What shows his urgency and faith in Jesus (47)? How did Jesus diagnose the Galileans’ spiritual condition (48)? Why did they seek signs and wonders instead of Jesus himself (2:23-24)?
3. Read verses 49-50a. What did the official request, and what did Jesus say to him? Why did Jesus reply in this way? What can we learn about Jesus’ sovereign will regarding our requests (1Jn 5:14)?
4. How did Jesus’ word test this man's faith, and how did he respond (50b)? Upon hearing good news, what question did he immediately ask and why (51-52)? What did he realize and how did this impact him and his family (53)?
5. What is the meaning of Jesus’ second sign? What progression can you find in the growth of his faith? How have you taken Jesus at his word?