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INTRODUCTION

Part 2 - Healing the Royal Official's Son

One of Jesus' closest friends, John, witnessed Jesus perform dozens, if not hundreds, of miracles. When he penned the Gospel of John, he only chose seven of them to highlight who Jesus was (and is!) and the difference he can make in our lives.

Join us for this new series as we focus on how amazing Jesus is, and consider what he is capable of in our lives.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever struggled with doubts about the existence of God or doubts about whether Jesus really was who he claimed to be? What happened and how did you get past those doubts?
2. Read Hebrews 11:1-3, 6. How would you define faith? Why do you think faith matters so much to God?
3. What evidence do we have that there really is a God? What evidence do we have that Jesus really is the Savior of the world?
4. Read John 4:43-54. Why do you think Jesus responded to the official the way he did? How did Jesus test the man's faith?
5. Do you think there is the difference between the faith expressed in verse 50 and that expressed in verse 53? What is the difference?
6. Read 1 Peter 1:3-9. Why is it important that our faith be tested? How has your faith been tested over the years? What role does faith play in our ability to be joyful in the blessings and in the trials we face?
7. In what areas of your life do you need to grow in faith?
8. How might you apply this lesson to your life?

APPLICATION

Where do you stand with Jesus? Do you believe in Him? Be open to the possibility that God sent His Son to be the Savior of the world and that through faith in Him you can have eternal life. Read John 3:16 to see God's promise.

Are you willing to trust Him in some specific struggle? Do you worry or don't entrust Him with your situation? Ask God to help you. God is able to help us believe; in fact, God can grant us the ability to believe. Read the Gospel of John to foster faith.

Do you look for signs or wonders? Do you worship the miraculous or a feeling? Don't wait for a sign or a miracle to believe. "The righteous will live by faith"—Read Habakkuk 2:4, Romans 1:17, Hebrews 10:38 and Galatians 3:11 to see what several biblical writers indicated.

KEY VERSES

Hebrews 11:6
Hebrews 11:3
John 20:28-31
John 4:43-54
John 3:16