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Message Series
"Signs"

Desperate Faith

John 4:43-54

⁴³ After the two days he departed for Galilee. ⁴⁴ (For Jesus himself had testified that a prophet has no honor in his own hometown.) ⁴⁵ So when he came to Galilee, the Galileans welcomed him, having seen all that he had done in Jerusalem at the feast. For they too had gone to the feast. ⁴⁶ So he came again to Cana in Galilee, where he had made the water wine. And at Capernaum there was an official whose son was ill. ⁴⁷ When this man heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went to him and asked him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. ⁴⁸ So Jesus said to him, "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe." ⁴⁹ The official said to him, "Sir, come down before my child dies." ⁵⁰ Jesus said to him, "Go; your son will live." The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and went on his way. ⁵¹ As he was going down, his servants met him and told him that his son was recovering. ⁵² So he asked them the hour when he began to get better, and they said to him, "Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him." ⁵³ The father knew that was the hour when Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." And he himself believed, and all his household. ⁵⁴ This was now the second sign that Jesus did when he had come from Judea to Galilee.

The truth about miracles (and signs)

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Obstacles to Miracle-Believing Faith

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Our question: *What is the "sign-ificance" of this miracle?*

Practicing Real-Life Faith in Jesus (Steps to growing faith in desperate times)

1. Start _____ and take _____
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"When this man heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went to him and asked him to come down and heal his son...." (v. 47)

2. Hear _____ and take _____
_____ .

"Jesus replied, 'You may go. Your son will live.' The man took Jesus at his word and departed.." (v. 50)

3. Trust _____ and take _____
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"...And he himself believed, and all his household." (v. 53)