# **SERMON NOTES**



Signs! "At His Word!"

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What if you could always take \_\_\_\_\_\_ at their word?

#### 1. Trustworthiness is measured by \_\_\_\_\_\_

43 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 Feast, 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 miraculous signs and wonders," Jesus told him, "you will never believe."

49 The royal official said, "Sir, come down before my child dies."

2. \_\_\_\_\_ expectations \_\_\_\_\_ trust.

### He and his whole household believed - vs. 49-53

50 Jesus replied, "You may go. 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, "The fever left him yesterday at the seventh hour."

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 all his household believed.** 

54 This was **the second miraculous sign** that Jesus performed, having come from Judea to Galilee.

3. Jesus did miracles to \_\_\_\_\_ his \_\_\_\_\_.

### How do we know? - John 1:14

14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

4. You have \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ when you take

Jesus at his word.

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# SERMON QUESTIONS: Apply to My Life

- 1. Agree or disagree: More people would trust in God if he would perform miracles in their lives.
- **2.** Read John 4:39-42. What did Jesus have to do (or not do) to convince the Samaritans that he was the Savior?
- **3.** Read John 4:46-49. What do you make of Jesus' comment in verse 48? Did Jesus not want to do miracles?
- **4.** The father in this section begged Jesus to come down to Capernaum to heal his son. Jesus did not come down to Capernaum the way the father wanted, but the son was healed. Have you experienced similar answers to prayer in your life? What does this teach us about the way we should pray?
- **5.** When Jesus performed miracles, they were designed to emphasize the message he was trying to share. In what ways are Jesus' words more desirable than miracles?
- **6.** Some people have given up their faith because they feel like God somehow failed them. How do you know if your expectations are in line with who God really is and what he really wants to do?
- **7.** Read John 4:49-54. The way to fully benefit from Jesus' trustworthiness is to exercise your trust in him. In what area of life do you want to do more exercise this week?

**Scripture:** (Use one from the message this week)

**Observation:** (What stood out about this verse? What do you notice?)

**Application:** (How can you apply this verse in your life today? How can you live in light of this truth?)

**Prayer:** (Turn your thoughts into prayer. Ask the Lord to show you how to believe and live this verse. Pray for people and situations in your life.)