

Believe and Have Life*The Gospel of John***John 4:43—5:15****Read John 4:43–54.**

1. On what do the Samaritans base their belief in Jesus? (4:41–42)

In contrast, why do the Galileans welcome Jesus? (vv. 45–46a, 48; 2:23)

2. What problem does the royal official have? (vv. 46b, 49)
3. What does the official do when he hears that Jesus has come again to Cana? (v. 47)
4. Describe Jesus' first response to the official. (v. 48)
 - a. Why is this a fitting response given the type of welcome Jesus has received?
 - b. How do these words of Jesus challenge you?
5. How do we see the official's faith grow? (vv. 47–53)

6. How does Jesus heal the official's son? (v. 50)

What does this tell you about his power? (vv. 50b–53)

7. What does this second miraculous sign reveal about who Jesus is? (1:1–4)

Read John 5:1–15.

8. What kind of people are lying around the pool at Bethesda? (v. 3)

9. Jesus singles out one man who has been an invalid for ***thirty-eight years!*** What question does Jesus ask him? (v. 6)

10. Based on the invalid's reply in verse seven, what is your impression of this man?

11. How does Jesus respond to him? (vv. 8–9a)

12. According to the Jews, this healing causes a problem. What is it? (vv. 9b–10)

13. Why is their concern off-base? (Lk. 13:14–17)

14. For a second time Jesus seeks out the healed man, this time because he is concerned about a much more important problem. What is this problem? (v. 14; 3:16–18)

15. Jesus is not just a miracle worker. His miracles reveal who he is and challenge people to believe in him. Think about where you need to reconsider who Jesus is, take him “at his word” (4:50) and see his healing forgiveness in your life (5:14). Repent and believe that you may grow in your relationship with Jesus.