

PART 2: HEALING OFFICIAL'S SON

## **KEY SCRIPTURE**

John 4:46-54

John 4:48

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. How does faith mature?
- 2. Describe a time you've wondered how somebody's faith survived despite what they were going through. How do you think their faith survived, or maybe even thrived?
- 3. Read John 4:50. The Roman officer not only believed Jesus *could* heal his son, but obeyed Him even *before* Jesus *did* heal his son. What problem or circumstance are you praying that God would intervene in, in your life right now? What would it look like to begin living today as if God can and will intervene, no matter when or how he intervenes?
- 4. In John 4:53 the Roman officer realized that Jesus' power began working at the very moment of his request, even before he had evidence. Where is Jesus' power working in your life or circumstances right now–even if you don't have physical evidence yet?
- 5. Pastor Will taught that this sign points to shallow faith versus mature faith. Shallow faith craves constant assurance from our senses. But in the absence of these assurances, shallow faith evaporates. What do you personally rely on to bolster your faith? Emotional experiences? Or trusting and acting on God's Word, even when you don't "feel" it?
- 6. What is the next step to maturity for your faith?
  - Come to Jesus to ask for something or someone to be restored
  - o Believe Jesus will change your circumstance in His way and time, and act on it
  - Lead others to Jesus

**Application Prayer:** Jesus, I believe in you, regardless of my circumstances in this moment. I'll obey whatever you say is next.