

TRANSFORMED: FROM DREAD TO JOY John 4:46-54

The royal official said, “Sir, come down before my child dies.”

“Go,” Jesus replied, “your son will live.”

John 4:49-50

Signs

The meaning of signs -

Signs as evidence of Messiah -

The Story

Why this sign?

Where does this sign fit?

What happens

What does the story mean for us?

Small Group Homework

Getting to Know You

1. John's message included a reminder that the Bible is a story or narrative not a textbook for school. What are your top two favorite bible stories to remember?

Into the Bible

2. Read Mark 5:21-43, this passage offers many parallels to the one we studied on Sunday in John's gospel. What states of being would you prescribe to the two primary individuals, the father and woman, based on this passage?

Verses 25-28 outline the woman's past, present, and future hope. Should we take the woman's past as evidence for the insufficiency of modern medicine and/or as evidence of humanities often ineffective self-reliance? Why did you settle on your answer, can you support it up with any other biblical references?

Mark shares with us that both Jairus (Vrs. 35) and the woman (Vrs. 33) have moments of doubt or fear. How does Jesus' identical response of belief/faith quell the fear they are facing?

