



***“The Miracle of
Faith”***

John 4:43-54

The Gospels Compared

Gospel	Genre	Audience	Purpose <i>presents Jesus as...</i>
Matthew	Biography	Jews	King
Mark	Biography	Romans	Servant
Luke	Biography	Greeks	Perfect Man
John	Polemic	Everyone	Messiah & God

The Purpose of John's Gospel

"And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name."

John 20:30,31

John 4:43-54

⁴³Now after the two days He departed from there and went to Galilee.

⁴⁴For Jesus Himself testified that a prophet has no honor in his own country. ⁴⁵So when He came to Galilee, the Galileans received Him, having seen all the things He did in Jerusalem at the feast; for they also had gone to the feast.

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⁴⁶So Jesus came again to Cana of Galilee where He had made the water wine. And there was a certain nobleman whose son was sick at Capernaum. ⁴⁷When he heard that Jesus had come out of Judea into Galilee, he went to Him and implored Him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death.

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⁴⁸Then Jesus said to him, “Unless you *people* see signs and wonders, you will by no means believe.” ⁴⁹The nobleman said to Him, “Sir, come down before my child dies!” ⁵⁰Jesus said to him, “Go your way; your son lives.” So the man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him, and he went his way.

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⁵¹ And as he was now going down, his servants met him and told *him*, saying, “Your son lives!” ⁵² Then he inquired of them the hour when he got better. And they said to him, “Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him.” ⁵³ So the father knew that *it was* at the same hour in which Jesus said to him, “Your son lives.”

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And he himself believed, and his whole household. ⁵⁴ This again *is* the second sign Jesus did when He had come out of Judea into Galilee.

The Father Heard

1. When? (43)

Now after the two days...

John 2:1 On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there.

The Father Heard

2. Where? (43,45,46)

43 ...He departed from there and went to Galilee. 46 So Jesus came again to Cana of Galilee where He had made the water wine.



Why did Jesus minister in Galilee?

John 4:44 For Jesus Himself testified that a prophet has no honor in his own country.

Isaiah 61:1-2 “The Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* upon Me, because the LORD has anointed Me to preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to *those who are* bound; ²to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn,



Luther said it . . .

John 8:25 — “Who are you? ...
Just what I have been claiming
all along.”

“They desire to know who He is and not to regard what He says, while He desires them first to listen; then they will know who He is. The rule is: Listen and allow the Word to make the beginning; then the knowing will nicely follow.



Luther said it . . .

“If, however, you do not listen, then you will never know anything. For it is decreed: God will not be seen, known, or comprehended except through his Word alone. Whatever, therefore, one undertakes for salvation apart from the Word is in vain. God will not respond to that. He will not have it. He will not tolerate any other way.



Luther said it . . .

“Therefore, let His book, in which He speaks with you, be commended to you; for He did not cause it to be written for no purpose. He did not want us to let it lie there in neglect, as if He were speaking with mice under the bench or with flies on the pulpit. We are to read it, to think and speak about it, and to study it, certain that He himself (not an angel or a creature) is speaking with us in it.”

The Father Heard

3. Who is the father? (46)

And there was a certain nobleman whose son was sick at Capernaum.



The Father Heard

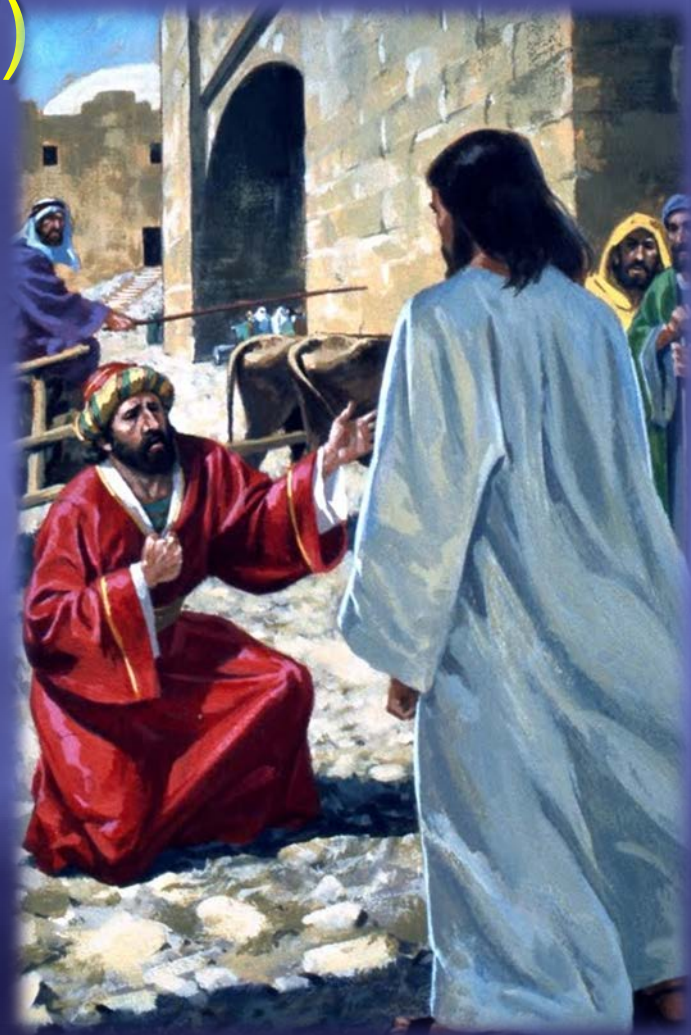
4. What did he hear? (47)

When he heard that Jesus had come out of Judea into Galilee,

The Father Believed

1. What did he do? (47)

he went to Him and implored Him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death.



The Father Believed

2. What did Jesus do? (48)

Then Jesus said to him, “Unless you people see signs and wonders, you will by no means believe.”

The Father Believed

3. How did the father respond? (49)

The nobleman said to Him, “Sir, come down before my child dies!”

The Father Believed

4. What did Jesus do? (50)

Jesus said to him, “Go your way; your son lives.”

The Father Believed

5. What did the father believe? (50)

So the man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him, and he went his way.

The Father Knew

1. When did he know? (51-53)

And as he was now going down, his servants met him and told him, saying, “Your son lives!”⁵² Then he inquired of them the hour when he got better. And they said to him, “Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him.”⁵³ So the father knew that it was at the same hour in which Jesus said to him, “Your son lives.”

The Father Knew

2. What resulted from what he knew? (53)

*And he himself believed,
and his whole household.*

John 4:54

This again *is* the second sign Jesus did when He had come out of Judea into Galilee.