



MIRACLES – “A Son Lives”

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SCRIPTURE REFERENCE – John 4:46-54

SERMON SUMMARY TWEET

A desperate dad exemplifies traits which allow him to be a part of and receive a miracle for his dying son.

MIRACLE

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TRAITS TO MIRROR

*Kept Pride in Check

Here was a very important man, who put all of his “importance” behind him in seeking healing for his son.

*Stood the Test

Rather than wilting under the test that Jesus threw out, his faith began to slowly catch fire.

*Showed a Reckless Faith

When faced with taking Jesus at His word, the dad passed with flying colors. Simply obeying, simply following Jesus’ instruction to go home because his son was well.

*Became a Believer/Witness

The dad, the son, the whole family found life in Jesus.

MISTAKE TO AVOID

*Limiting God

When you unfold the text, it shows the dad was limited in his faith. He first asked Jesus to come down to Capernaum, and to come before his son died. Both of these requests showed his lack of understanding of Jesus’ power.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Ice Breaker – What's the craziest thing you've done for your children or a friend, when in a place of desperation?
2. What part of the story/miracle stood out most to you? What caught your fancy or peaked your curiosity?
3. Share a time when you have allowed pride to get in the way.
4. Allow time for discussion within the group of times within their lives where they have been tested. Be as specific as possible and share the outcome of that testing.
5. Share a time when you approached your faith with reckless abandon, where you simply followed and asked no questions.
6. How have you responded to God's working (miracles) in your life? Have they deepened your faith? If so, how? Have you shared his working with others? Again, give specific examples if possible.
7. Share a time where you attempted to limit the power of God.

