

FAMILY CONNECTION

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

SCRIPTURE | John 4:46-54

SESSION SUMMARY

News of Jesus and His miracles had spread beyond His own people and to the home of a Roman official. The man believed his son was about to die, so when he heard Jesus was in town, he found Jesus and begged Him to come and heal his son. Though Jesus didn't go as the official requested, He promised healing and sent the official along his way. When the official arrived to find his son had recovered at the very moment Jesus said he was healed, the official and the rest of the members of his household believed. Through this story, we see how faith is believing Jesus's words before seeing His works. These are the main points:

- Desperation leads us to Jesus (John 4:46-48)
- Belief leads to healing (John 4:49-54)

CONVERSATION QUESTIONS

- Has God ever miraculously healed someone our family knows? How did that affect our faith?
- When our family is struggling and feeling desperate for a solution, where do we typically turn? What can we do to make sure we turn to Jesus first?
- Why can it sometimes be difficult for our family to take God at His word? How does this biblical account challenge that belief?

FAMILY CHALLENGE

As a family, discuss two types of situations: where God may be calling your family to take a step of faith and who might need prayer for miraculous healing. Break down the different aspects of the situation that need prayer (for example, boldness, provision, healing, others affected by the situation), and allow each family member to choose one to pray over. Pray aloud together for each situation, fully trusting that God will answer in His time and in His way.