

The Simplicity and Power of A Dynamic Living Faith

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Jesus' second miracle (vs 54), illustrates the simplicity and power of a dynamic living faith.

"So Jesus came again into Cana of Galilee, where he made the water wine. And there was a certain nobleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum. 47 When he heard that Jesus was come out of Judaea into Galilee, he went unto him. and besought him that he would come down, and heal his son: for he was at the point of death. 48 Then said Jesus unto him, Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe. 49 The nobleman saith unto him, Sir, come down ere my child die. 50 Jesus saith unto him, Go thy way; thy son liveth. And the man believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way. 51 And as he was now going down, his servants met him, and told him, sayina. Thy son liveth. 52 Then enquired he of them the hour when he began to amend. And they said unto him, Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him. 53 So the father knew that it was at the same hour, in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth: and himself believed, and his whole house. 54 This is again the second miracle that Jesus did, when he was come out of Judaea into Galilee" (John 4:46-54).

- "Jesus came again into Cana of Gali-1) lee" (vs 46). Jesus ministry was not confined to one place. He moved from place to place, and sometimes re-visit places He had previously been to. His objective was to go to where the people are rather than waiting in one place for people to come and see Him.
- 2) "He went unto him" (vs 47). The sick child was at Capernaum. Probably because he was at the point of death, he could not travel to Jesus at Cana, but his father came to Cana and pleaded with Jesus to come to Capernaum and heal him. Where we are able, we must be willing to go to where Je-

"Verily, verily, say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father" (John 14:12).

- sus is, in order to get our miracles (Hebrews 10:25).
- 3) Jesus remark (vs 48) reveals that these people wanted to see signs and wonders before believing (John 20:29).
- "Sir, come down ere my child die" (vs 49) reveals the urgency and desperation of a father who was keen for the healing of his son (James 5:16; Luke 11:5-9).
- "Go thy way, thy son liveth" (vs 50). Alt-5) hough he wanted Jesus to accompany him to Capernaum, Jesus had a different solution, which an unbeliever could have interpreted as dodging the issue. must not specify to God how we want the miracle to take place (2 Kings 5:13).
- 6) "And the man believed the word that Jesus had spoken..." (vs 50). The simplicity of this man's faith, without seeking for evidence or getting into arguments was the secret to His miracle (I Sam 1:17-18).
- 7) "And as he was going down" (vs 51). His faith was evidenced by immediate action. He came to call Jesus, but he was now going back on the word of Jesus, and without Jesus accompanying him! This is real faith (Hebrews 11:1,6).
- His faith was confirmed by the testimony of his servants who inform him of his son's recovery (vs 51-53; Luke 17:14).
- "... if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God?" (John 11:40). Let's believe God and see His glory today!

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