Message Notes

October 30, 2011

EASTSWAMPCHURCH
Navigating Life Together

THE SEVEN SIGNS #2

"Close Your Eyes So You Can See"

John 4:43-54

Intro: John 20:30-31 The purpose of miracles...

❶ **THE _____ OF FAITH - DRAWN TO JESUS: (VS. 46-47)**

- *Once more he visited Cana in Galilee, where he had turned the water into wine. And there was a certain royal official whose son lay sick at Capernaum. When this man heard that Jesus had arrived in Galilee from Judea, he went to him and begged him to come and heal his son, who was close to death.* John 4:46-47 (NIV)
- *"No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day."* John 6:44 (NKJV)

❷ **THE _____ OF FAITH - TAKING JESUS AT HIS WORD: (VS. 48-50)**

- *"Unless you people see signs and wonders," Jesus told him, "you will never believe."* John 4:48 (NIV)
- *The royal official said, "Sir, come down before my child dies." "Go," Jesus replied, "your son will live." The man took Jesus at his word and departed.* John 4:49-50 (NIV)

NOTICE: Nobleman came looking for a _____, but goes away with a _____!

- *"It is an evil and adulterous generation that seeks after a sign…"* Matthew 12:39

Illustration: Rich man and Lazarus

❸ **THE _____ OF FAITH - JESUS IS "THE CHRIST" (VS. 51-53)**

- *While he was still on the way, his servants met him with the news that his boy was living. When he inquired as to the time when his son got better, they said to him, "Yesterday, at one in the afternoon, the fever left him." Then the father realized that this was the exact time at which Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." So he and his whole household believed.* John 4:51-53 (NIV)
- *...This is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world.* John 4:42

ILLUSTRATION: John Wesley

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