

Student Notes February 28

The Official's Son



Why does the royal official come looking for Jesus?

Does Jesus do what the royal official orders him to do in this story? What does Jesus do?

What was your favorite song today?

Name one interesting thing you did this week.

Prayer requests:

Name.

Today's Bible Passage: John 4:43–54

(Can you find the highlighted words?)

(Ca	n yo	u tino	a tne	nıgr	ılıgnt	ea w	oras	(1)				
0	N	С	Ε	С	J	Ε	S	U	S	Н	L	After the two days he left for
L	R	R	R	В	Е	L	I	Е	٧	Ε	U	Galilee. (Now
С	0	U	N	Т	R	Υ	В	Р	М	S	N	Jesus himself had pointed
M	Т	0	N	J	U	D	Е	Α	D	Α	R	out that a prophet has no
S	Ε	F	Т	G	S	I	Ε	S	0	0	V	honor in his
G	F	F	I	Α	Α	Н	N	S	Ν	D	L	own country .) When he
Т	Ε	I	М	L	L	Α	Р	0	Е	G	Т	arrived in
L	S	С	Ε	1	Е	Υ	Н	V	1	D	В	Galilee, the Galileans
S	Т	I	N	L	М	Ε	I	Е	R	Α	S	welcomed him. They had seen
I	1	Α	I	Е	R	R	М	R	В	Υ	L	all that he had
G	٧	L	٧	Ε	R	0	Υ	Α	L	S	0	done in Jerusalem at
N	Α	I	Н	Α	С	1	Α	W	Н	Ε	N	the Passover
G	L	Т	S	Α	I	D	1	V	Р	I	D	Festival , for they also had

been there. 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. "Unless you people see signs and wonders," Jesus told him, "you will never believe." 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. 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. This was the second sign Jesus performed after coming from Judea to Galilee.



THE HEALING OF THE NOBLEMAN'S SON

New Testament Lesson #171

When Jesus and his disciples left Samaria, they went to Cana (CAY-nah) of Galilee (GAL-i-lee). While they were there, a certain royal official (the Nobleman) who was one of Herod's (HA-rod) officials from Capernaum (ca-PUR-na-um) came to see Jesus. Jesus told the man that, "Unless you see miraculous signs and wonders, you will never believe."

This man's son was very sick ("at the point of death"), and he begged Jesus to come to his house and heal his son before the child died.

Jesus told the man to go his way, "Your son will live." The man believed the words which Jesus had spoken, and headed for home. When he got close to home, his servants met him and were happy to tell him that his son was alive.

The royal official asked the servants what time it was when the boy began to get better, and they told him that the fever had left him yesterday at the seventh hour. The father knew then that it was at the same time that Jesus had told him that his son lives. He and his whole family believed.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

- Capernaum was about 16 miles northeast of Cana, away from where Jesus was when he spoke that the man's son was healed. Jesus was able to heal this man's son from a long distance away.
- The man left for home as soon as Jesus told him to, but he didn't get there until the next day. Sixteen miles wasn't just a stone's throw away.
- The healing of the official's son was the second miraculous sign that is recorded in John's gospel. The first sign took place about one year before when Jesus turned water into wine at a marriage in Cana (see John 2:1-11).

ANSWER KEY:

The man took Jesus at his word.

Capurnaum, sick, begged, heal, dies, live, servant, news, believed

went, come, go, departed, met



Choose the word from each box that doesn't belong. Circle it, then write it on the lines.

when the where hear look man

took hand foot

sky Jesus earth

at rabbit mouse

rake his shovel

rain snow word

Use the list of words to complete the story. Arrange the numbered letters to make the final word.

NEWS HEAL DIES SICK LIVE **BEGGED SERVANTS**

CAPERNAUM

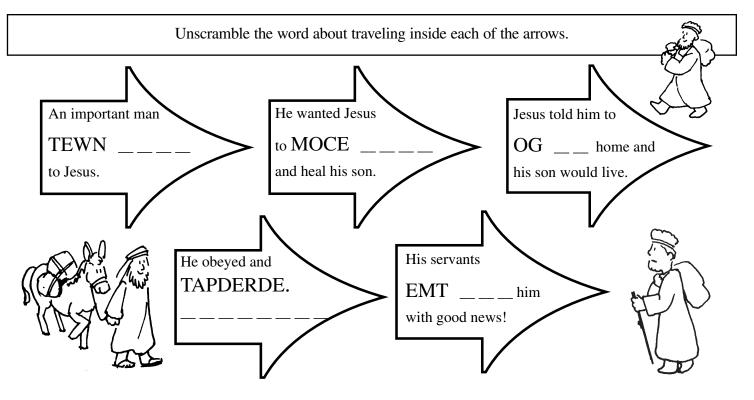
The son of a powerful man from ____ was very

 $\underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ _ _ _ . The man _ _ _ _ _ _ _ Jesus, "Come _ _ _ _ _

my child before he $\frac{1}{8}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{$

The man's ____ _ brought the good ____ that

his son was better. The family $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{3} = \frac{4}{4} = \frac{5}{5} = \frac{6}{6} = \frac{7}{8}$ in Jesus.



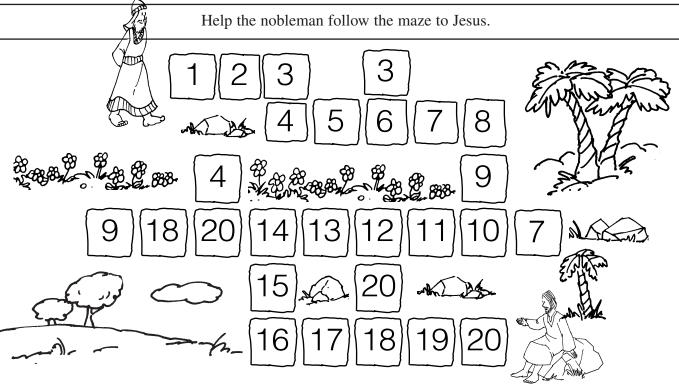
Name _____



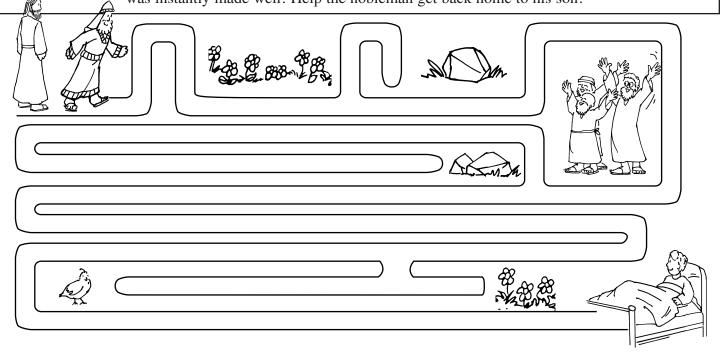




nobleman came to ask Jesus to heal his dying son.



Jesus saw the man had great faith. Jesus gave his word and the boy was instantly made well! Help the nobleman get back home to his son!



Name _____