

- 1- He came to Jesus out of desperation - our needs are servants to bring us to Jesus - it is need that shows we will live by faith.
- ① His son sick for a long time - v. 46
- ② His son at point of death - v. 47

③ He believed Jesus would have to be present to heal - "Come down." Cf. Matt 8 - The Centurion asked Jesus not to come to his house, but speaking the word was necessary - Jesus marvelled at his faith. Jesus did it differently to correct his misunderstanding = to show that he has org to speak the word.

3- Jesus' rebuke - was not to the father specifically but expresses the general attitude of people -

4- the nobleman didn't defend himself or argue - but persisted in the plea - vs 49 - note here the change of the word from son to child - a more affectionate term - indicating this was more concerned w/ his son than w/ a sign.

5- Jesus did not give him a sign - "He lives"

6- vs 50 - "your son lives" - not "he will live..." This was a spoken word of power - at that moment he was healed.

7- "Go your way" here is a test of faith - if the man continues to plead, no faith - but if, w/out sign or additional assurance, he obeys - faith. Go your way - it is done

8- Slave ~~was~~ met him - obey the way & confirms our faith

9- He believed - an advance in relationship

10- His whole house believed.

11- He found more than he thought he needed - "believed & whole house." ~~the way~~ The way to increase faith is to exercise faith - start where you are.

12- X's rebuke indicates what He thought to be the most important in dealing w/ men - The boy needed healing, but the greater need was that the father be trained to faith.