



International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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John 4:43-54 Study Hints for Discussion

[Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further](#) below are not actually intended to be *the answers* to the discussion questions. These indeed are “hints” a teacher may use to help students think through and discuss the questions in class. The [Class Preparation Guide](#) includes the questions below, and it can be given to students at the end of the previous class; then, they can pray, read, and think ahead to prepare for the next week’s Bible lesson. And/Or, consider giving each student the [Verse-by-Verse Scripture Handout](#), which includes the Bible verses to be studied before class and other questions.

1. Why was Jesus welcomed when He went to Galilee?

Because they had seen what Jesus had done at the Passover festival in Jerusalem.

2. What are the two signs that Jesus gave when He was in Galilee?

Jesus changed water into wine at a wedding in Cana, and by saying the word Jesus healed a boy who was about to die when Jesus was in Cana and the boy was in Capernaum.

3. What kind of person went from Capernaum to Cana to see Jesus? Why did he go to see Jesus?

The person was a royal official (of the court of King Herod) and a father of a boy who was sick and about to die. He went to ask Jesus to come to Capernaum and heal his son.

4. What did Jesus do to meet the person’s need? Why do you think Jesus met his need in this way?

In Cana of Galilee, Jesus spoke the word and healed the boy in Capernaum. He healed him in this way because most of the crowd around Him in Galilee were there to see signs and wonders and He knew they would not believe without signs and wonders. Jesus wanted them to believe the way the Samaritans had come to believe “because of His word.”

5. How do we know the person who went to see Jesus believed Jesus?

The father immediately obeyed Jesus and left for home when Jesus told him “Go; your son will live.” Without seeing a sign or wonder, the father believed Jesus “because of His word.” This is the type of faith that Jesus wanted people to possess.

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