

SIGN OR WORD FAITH?

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JOHN 4:46-54

John states that many more signs were done by Jesus that were not recorded. The ones recorded are sufficient to convince anyone that Jesus is the Son of God and Jewish Messiah. The first sign was at a wedding, the second prevented a funeral.

- **V48** – Jesus expresses impatience towards those who have sign faith, a belief Jesus views as immature.
- **NUM. 14:11, 22-23** - What were the ten times? The Red Sea, **EX. 14:11-12**; Bitter Water, **EX. 15:24**; Desert of Sin, **EX. 16:3**; Collecting more manna than allowed, **EX. 16:20**; Collecting manna on the Sabbath, **EX. 16:27-29**; Complaining at Rephidim, **EX. 17:2-3**; Idolatry, **EX. 32:7-10**; Taberah, **NUM. 11:1-3**; Lack of food, **NUM. 11:4**; At the Promised Land, **NUM. 14:1-4**.

True Faith

- Brings us to Jesus. His son was dying, he had no answers, he was desperate. He heard about Jesus and went to Him for help. The 25-mile trip was no problem. Whatever the need, go to Jesus.
- Takes Jesus at His Word, **V 50**. The man wanted a home visit, but took Jesus at His word, and left. He didn't plead or beg Him to do it his way. He believed without seeing. Had Jesus gone to his house, the man would've believed because he saw, like Thomas.
- Transforms the heart, **V 51-53**. His question shows two things. First, it confirms the man's faith in Jesus' word and its effectiveness. Jesus said it and it was done. Second, he didn't rush home. He went the next day. He came anxious and left calm and confident.

CONCLUSION: God expects our faith in His word to grow. After showing many signs, He holds us accountable and will eventually judge us if we refuse to grow, just as He did the Israelites. **MK. 16:17-**