

GOSPEL HEALING ACCOUNT #1

The Nobleman's Son

John 4:46-54 (NIV)

46 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. 47 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.

48 "Unless you people see miraculous signs and wonders," Jesus told him, "you will never believe."

49 The royal official said, "Sir, come down before my child dies."

50 Jesus replied, "You may go. Your son will live." The man took Jesus at his word and departed.

51 While he was still on the way, his servants met him with the news that his boy was living. 52 When he inquired as to the time when his son got better, they said to him, "The fever left him yesterday at the seventh hour."

53 Then the father realized that this was the exact time at which Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." So he and all his household believed.

54 This was the second miraculous sign that Jesus performed, having come from Judea to Galilee.

BASIC QUESTIONS

1. Identify as completely as possible the person in need (e.g., age, ethnic origin, religion, gender, social status).

2. What was the immediate, obvious need?

3. Who took the initiative in effecting the healing?

The person in need? _____ Others? _____ Jesus? _____

How was it expressed? _____

4. Describe the actions or process leading to the healing; that is, what was said (e.g. questions, requests, commands) and what was done (e.g., approaching, following, touching, publicly/private), and by whom?

5. Did the person in need or someone else verbally express faith? _____ Non-verbally? _____

Describe how and by whom faith was involved in this healing?

6. What were the evidences that the person was healed?

7. What were the reactions to the healing?
