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The Word of the Lord: The New Testament for Young Children

Notes for Parents & Teachers

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- a) This seems to be a reasonably simple story. But there are important details. First, the nobleman was probably a very important man at that time—part of the king's court. Yet when he found Jesus, he begged Him to come and save his son. He wasn't being proud.
- b) Jesus was not overly polite to the nobleman. He said the man wouldn't believe unless he saw miracles. But again, the man begged Jesus. You can imagine how terrified he was because his son was dying. He was so frightened that he wasn't proud at all.
- c) Then Jesus gave him the huge test. He said, "Go your way. Your child lives." Wow! The man stopped begging Him, he believed what Jesus said (without having seen a miracle) and went his way.
- d) Note that the nobleman's house had to have been a long way away, because he still had not gotten home the next day, when the servants came to tell him that his son was alive. So, he went a long way to find Jesus.
- e) The son got better at exactly the time Jesus told the nobleman that he lived.
- f) The nobleman and all his family and household believed in Jesus from that time on.



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The Lord Makes a Very Sick Boy Better

There was a certain nobleman, whose son was sick. When the nobleman heard that Jesus had come to Galilee, he went to Jesus and begged Him to come and help his son who was about to die.

Jesus said to him, “Unless you see signs and wonders, you will not believe.” The nobleman said to Him, “Sir, come before my child dies.” Jesus said to him, “Go your way. Your son is alive.” And the man believed what Jesus said, and he went his way.

As the nobleman was going home, his servants met him and told him saying, “Your son is alive!” Then the nobleman asked them the hour when his son began to get better, and they said to him, “Yesterday, at the seventh hour the fever left him.” Then the father knew that it was at the same time that Jesus said to him, “Your son is alive.” And the nobleman believed in Jesus, and all in his house with him.

This miracle was the second miracle that Jesus did when He came out of Judea into Galilee.

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