

Jesus and the Nobleman

John 4:46-54

B. The Stages of Faith, 4:46-54

1 A beginning faith (v.46-47)

- a. There was a desperate need (v.46)
- b. There was hearing about Jesus (v.47a)
- c. There was coming to Jesus (v.47b)
- d. There was begging Jesus to help (v.47c)

2 A persistent faith (v.48-49)

- a. A lesson in faith (v.48)
- b. A desperate insistence (v.49)

3 A trusting, obedient, and working faith (v.50)

- a. Go your way—your need is met (v.50a)
- b. He believed and obeyed Jesus' Word (v.50b)

4 A confirmed faith (v.51-53a)

- a. He “was now going” (v.51a)
- b. He received glorious news: His prayer was answered (v.51b)
- c. He confirmed the supernatural vs. the natural (v.52)
- d. He believed and knew that Jesus had healed his son (v.53a)

5 A witnessing faith (v.53b-54)