

THE MAN BELIEVED THE WORD THAT JESUS SPOKE

John 4:43–54

Key Verse: 4:50b

1. Where does Jesus go (43), how are these people described (44–45), and what does it say about the real meaning of their “welcome” (compare 2:23–25)? How are they a contrast with the Samaritans Jesus had just been with?
2. To what particular place does Jesus go now (46a)? What kind of man comes to him, and what is his request (46b–47)? Locate Capernaum and Cana on a map. What stands out about this man?
3. What does Jesus say to this man first (48), and why? How does the man respond (49), and what does it show about him? What does Jesus tell him (50a), and how is this not what the man expects? Why do you think Jesus sends him away like this?
4. How does the man respond to this (50b)? How would this be hard for him to do, and how is this an example of faith for us?
5. What happens on his way (51), what does he ask (52a), and why? How does his servants’ answer impact him (52b–53)? What does this “sign” (54) mainly show us about Jesus?