

Family Worship
Week of May 11, 2025

Instruction: Whatever time of day works best each day for you or your family, use the prompts below to spend a few minutes together in prayer and the Word. Open and close each session with a simple prayer. Use the questions for meditation or discussion.

Sermon Meditations: A Matter of Life and Death

Monday

- Open in prayer
- Read: John 4:46-54
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's first point was "Seeing your circumstances as a matter of life and death". Jesus returns to Cana where he opened his public ministry with the first miracle. A royal ruler travels to request Jesus to come to his home to heal his son who is at the point of death. Jesus rebukes him gently by saying, "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe." The man says, "Sir, come down before my child dies." Jesus tells him, "Go; your son will live." This is a matter of life and death. And the man believes Jesus' words and goes. How is our sin a matter of life and death? What words of Jesus must we believe in order to be saved?
- Close in prayer

Tuesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: John 4:46-54
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's second point was "Jesus, come down". The man's request of Jesus is more akin to a prayer. The translation for "sir" in the Greek is, "kurios", which means Lord or one of supreme authority. We often pray this way: "Lord, please come quickly. Jesus, come back!" We want his presence with us. We must understand his words are as good as his presence. How do we hear the word of God? How are we to respond to it? Why is his word enough for our salvation?
- Close in prayer

Wednesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: John 4:46-54
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's third point was "The life-changing reality of faith". The man travels back and before he gets home his servants tell him that his son is healed. The man then realizes that the instant Jesus said he was healed the miracle took place. He trusted Jesus, and it was in the moment the boy was healed. When we trust in Christ for our salvation, it is at that moment we are forgiven. Do you trust in Christ's word of salvation? Do you believe that he is the Son of God and savior of sinners? What is the application of believing his word for our daily lives and prayer?
- Close in prayer

Preparing Our Hearts to Receive the Word

Thursday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: John 5:1-18
- Meditation: What questions do you have about this text? Is there anything confusing or curious? Does anything stand out as important?
- Close in Prayer

Friday

- Open in Prayer
- Read: John 5:1-18
- Meditation: Westminster Shorter Catechism Question 4 asks, "What do the Scriptures principally teach?" Answer: "The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God and what duty God requires of man." What does this passage teach us about God's character and work? What does it teach us about our own hearts and need for a Savior and how we ought to live in the world as followers of Christ?
- Close in Prayer