

## Mid-Week Devotion



### Healed From a Distance

Read **John 4:46-50**

*"...your son will live"*

Have you ever watched those religious television shows where people are miraculously healed after being prayed for and then touched by the healer? The people there usually have had a long time illness or crippling disease, they make their way up onto the stage where the host touches them, and they are miraculously healed. However, I have never observed anyone being healed from a distance on these shows. That is, I have never seen the healer simply speak the words "you are healed" to a person seated in the audience or for that matter someone not even present in the room. Wouldn't it be great if all we had to do were to ask and be healed by the Savior? The truth is it happens to Christians all the time!

One day Jesus was again in Cana, where if you remember, He performed His first miracle by turning water into wine. He was approached by a man whose son was deathly ill and asked to return to the man's home to heal his son. Obviously, the man knew of Jesus' healing power. Now here is where it gets interesting. Jesus who had grown tired of the people seeking signs and wonders, refused! However, while He refused to go with the man, He did not refuse his request to heal his son. He simply did it from a distance, in other words Jesus simply told the man, "your son lives." That was it, just three words, no long prayer, no spectacular spectacle for all to see, He just healed the man's son. Often with Jesus, less is more! The same thing happened in creation, God simply spoke the word and the universe and everything in them into existence. No fanfare, He simply said, "Let there be..." and there was.

When was the last time God simply spoke healing into your life? Maybe it was to heal the lack of income, so a new job comes your way and you hear those simple words, "you're hired." Maybe it was to heal a broken relationship, and so the simple words, "I'm sorry" melt away the pain of a broken heart allowing you to love again. Maybe it was to heal a physical illness, and so the doctor explains, "I can't explain it," then utters those simple words, "you will live!" Miraculous healings happen to us all the time and all of them are from the Savior who heals from a distance. So, the next time you are in need of healing, instead of looking for signs and wonders, remember our God is a god of few but powerful words, then go and prayerfully listen for those words. You may just discover that you too have been healed from a distance.

*Father God, speak Your powerful, loving, and healing words into my life that I may, like the nobleman's son, be healed from a distance. In Jesus name, Amen.*