

Now Faith
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USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

We have provided all the Scriptures references in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to facilitate a discussion.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is not to get through the questions, but to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships. Use the discussion questions as you see fit but emphasize the relationships.

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[John 2:1-11, NIV]

On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, 2 and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3 When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."

4 "Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." 6 Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons. 7 Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim.

8 Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet." They did so, 9 and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had

drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside 10 and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now." 11 What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

God's words create worlds.

JESUS LIKES TO PARTY

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WHAT WE AVOID THE ENEMY INVADES

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THE LEVEL OF YOUR FAITH DETERMINES THE LEVEL OF YOUR BREAKTHROUGH

[Matthew 8:5-7, NIV]

5 When Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, asking for help. 6 “Lord,” he said, “my servant lies at home paralyzed, suffering terribly.”

7 Jesus said to him, “Shall I come and heal him?”

[Mark 10:51-52, NIV]

51 “What do you want me to do for you?” Jesus asked him. The blind man said, “Rabbi, I want to see.”

52 “Go,” said Jesus, “your faith has healed you.” Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

[Matthew 8:13, NIV]

13 Then Jesus said to the centurion, “Go! Let it be done just as you believed it would.” And his servant was healed at that moment.

FOR MONDAY—

1. Write down some promises that God has given you, and spend time agreeing with the reality of them.
2. Take one action step toward building your faith level.

TALK IT THROUGH

1. God's promises are not looking for your assessment; there is a battle looking for your agreement. How have you seen that occur?
2. Pastor Jedidiah said, "If church is something you go to, then it's also something you leave." What do you think he meant?
3. When have you gone through a season that felt like When have you had a moment where everything changed?
4. How do you think "faith can pull into the now what God reserved for later"?
5. Pastor Jedidiah said, "Moses was hiding, trying not to be picked." Why do you think he was debating God about his qualifications for assignment?
6. What is God trying to communicate to you in these days? Who is he desperate to reach through you?
7. What are some things that God has done through you, even through a reluctant yes? What is waiting for you and beyond you on the other side of your yes?