

John 4:43-54 Seeing Faith, Seeking Faith

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Introduction:

- 1. The Reception in Galilee (vv. 43-45)
 - Enigmatic statement #1 (vv. 43-44)

- Enigmatic statement #2 (v. 45)

- 2. The Reception in Cana (vv. 46-53)
 - Enigmatic statement #3 (v. 48)

Conclusion:

- Enigmatic statement #4 (v. 54)

Praxis:

- 1. The Galileans wanted Jesus to meet certain requirements before they would believe in him. What requirements might we put on Jesus in order for us to continue trusting him?
- 2. What stands out to you about the way that the official responds to Jesus in vv. 46-50 and vv. 51-53?
- 3. The official had to accept the truth that "believing by hearing comes before believing by seeing." How should this truth affect your attitude towards trials? A difficulty in your job? Your decision making? Your time in the Word and prayer? Your obedience to God's commandments? Other aspects of the Christian life?