

Different Responses to Jesus' Miracles – John 4:43-5:18

The demand for signs (John 4:43-48)

A grateful father's belief (John 4:49-54)

An ungrateful invalid's unbelief (John 5:1-14)

The hostility of the Jews against the miracle working Son of God (John 5:15-18)

Questions for Discussion & Application:

1. What was surprising, confusing, or helpful from today's passage?
2. In 4:48 Jesus rebuked the Galileans for their demand of signs. How do people still demand signs today? What should be sufficient in order for us to believe? Is there an area of your life where you are demanding a sign instead of trusting God's Word?
3. In 4:50 the official took Jesus at His word – this is the essence of faith: taking Jesus at His word and acting on the basis that Jesus' word is true. How do you need to take Jesus at His word in your own life?
4. We see very different responses to Jesus' teaching and miracles in today's passage – what are the different responses? Why do people see and hear the same things and yet respond so differently?
5. Jesus healed the invalid in a way that ensured that He would NOT share His glory as the healer with the superstition surrounding the pool. What contemporary examples of misguided superstition can we see today? How should we respond to these as Christians?

Memory Verse: John 4:50

Passage to Look at for Next Week: John 5:19-47

Behold Our God

Verse 1

Who has held the oceans in His hands
Who has numbered every grain of sand
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

Chorus

Behold our God seated on His throne
Come let us adore Him
Behold our King nothing can compare
Come let us adore Him

Verse 2

Who has given counsel to the Lord
Who can question any of His words
Who can teach the One who knows all things
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds

Verse 3

Who has felt the nails upon His hands
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man
God eternal humbled to the grave
Jesus Savior risen now to reign

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How Great Is Your Love

Verse 1

From the darkness I called Your name
Into darkness Your mercy came
You called me out lifted me up
How great is Your love

Verse 2

You bore my weakness You took my shame
Buried my burdens in fields of grace
You called me out lifted me up
How great is Your love

Pre-Chorus

From the heights of heaven You stepped down to earth
Innocent perfection gave Your life for us
And we are amazed yes we stand in awe
For we have been changed by the pow'r of the cross

Chorus

(Yeah) How great how great how great is Your love
How great how great how great is Your love
How great how great how great is Your love for us

Verse 3

In Your kindness You lead me home
In Your presence where I belong
Oh You called me out lifted me up
How great is Your love

Bridge

There has never been and there will never be
A God like You a love so true
There has never been and there will never be
A God like You a love so true (yeah)

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How Great Is Our God

Verse 1

The splendor of the King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
And trembles at His voice

Chorus

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God

Verse 2

And age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End
Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one
Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

Bridge

Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God

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How Great Thou Art

Verse 1

O Lord my God
When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds
Thy hands have made
I see the stars
I hear the rolling thunder
Thy pow'r thru'out
The universe displayed

Chorus

Then sings my soul, My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, How great Thou art
Then sings my soul, My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, How great Thou art

Verse 2

And when I think
That God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die
I scarce can take it in
That on the cross
My burden gladly bearing
He bled and died
To take away my sin

Verse 3

When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home
What joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow
In humble adoration
And there proclaim
My God how great Thou art

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His Mercy Is More

Verse 1

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Verse 2

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Verse 3

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Chorus

Praise the Lord His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness new every morn
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

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