



*EXALTED CHRIST*



# THE SECOND SIGN



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John 4:43-54 (NIV)



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John 4:43-54 (NIV)





<sup>52</sup>When he inquired as to the time when his son got better, they said to him, “Yesterday, at one in the afternoon, the fever left him.” <sup>53</sup>Then the father realized that this was the exact time at which Jesus had said to him, “Your son will live.” So he and his whole household believed. <sup>54</sup>This was the second sign Jesus performed after coming from Judea to Galilee.

John 4:43-54 (NIV)



# The Second Sign

The Word rules over distance and difficulty.



## Honor Invites the Word

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John 4:43-45 (NIV)



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John 4:47-50 (NIV)



# Intercession Sends the Word

**Intercession:** pleading the word of God on someone else's behalf.



# Provision

Then Jesus said to his disciples: “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear... For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well. Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.”

Luke 12:22, 30-32 (NIV)



# Salvation

...for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Romans 10:13 (NIV)



# Healing

Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits—  
who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,  
who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with  
love and compassion...

Psalms 103:2-4 (NIV)



# Protection

If you say, “The LORD is my refuge,” and you make the Most High your dwelling, no harm will overtake you, no disaster will come near your tent.

Psalms 91:9-10 (NIV)



# Love

“Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed,” says the LORD, who has compassion on you.

Isaiah 54:10 (NIV)



# Acceptance Releases the Power of the Word

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John 4:50-52 (NIV)



# Acceptance Releases the Power of the Word

Jesus' word carries His presence and His power!