

BIG IDEA

When you don't understand, you can still trust God's character.

BIBLE

John 4:43–54; Romans 5:1–5; Psalm 72:18–19

ABOUT THIS WEEK

Some things about faith can feel confusing and shatter what we believe, but that doesn't change who God is! This week, we'll see how a royal official begged Jesus to heal his son. Even though it might have been hard to imagine how Jesus could heal from miles away, his faith reminds us that **when you don't understand, you can still trust God's character.**

MEMORY VERSE

"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us." — 1 John 5:14 (NIV)

DISCUSSION

- What's something that seems difficult for most people but comes naturally to you?
- Is there a subject or skill that feels impossible to understand but you wish you could?
- How can you tell what someone's character is like?
- When the royal official asked Jesus for help, what kind of emotions do you think he was feeling?
- What's the difference between trusting someone for help and just handing off responsibility for something you could do yourself?
- How would you describe the emotions that come with hope? What makes it difficult to hope sometimes?
- Read Psalm 72:18-19. How does this verse show you what God is capable of, and how does that give you hope?
- Can you think of a time—either in your life or someone else's—when you clearly saw God working? How did you know God was working in that situation?
- Who is someone you can encourage this week by pointing out how you see God working in their life?
- When life feels confusing or uncertain, what is one thing about God's character you can trust? What are a few things you can do to show that trust in your daily life?