- Have you ever been approached by someone you knew wanted something from you that was outside of what you intended to give? How did that make you feel? How did you respond?
- 2. Read John 4:44–49. In what ways do the people of Galilee and this official "miss" when it comes to Jesus' presence in their midst? How do we tend to miss in similar fashion?
- 3. Read John 4:50. What does Jesus say the official must do if he wants his son to live? How can we demonstrate faith in action? Read James 2:14–26. How do works *prove* our faith? How is that different from thinking that our works *earn* our faith?
- 4. Read John 4:51–53. What does Jesus offer beyond the physical healing of the official's son? What do the physical healing and the spiritual healing say about Jesus heart for people?
- 5. Review the five applications in the "So What?" part of the outline. In what ways can you put several of these applications into practice this week?