



Week 4 | Believe | January 28

Opening Up:

- Do you have a high or low risk tolerance?
- Can you name a big risk in your faith journey?
- What was the last risk for God that you have taken?
- If you could do something for God and you knew it would succeed, what would it be?

Reference: John 4:46-54

Discuss:

1. When you came to faith was there a testimony that was catalytic for you? (John 4:42)
2. Has the word of God ever jumped off of the page at you and moved you? Have you ever heard God "speak" to you?
3. What is God saying to you right now?
4. Has prayer ever helped you with your anxiety? (Philippians 4:6)
5. Two possible roadblocks to praying may be the belief that:
 1. Jesus will miraculously answer the prayers of others, just not mine.
 2. Miracles are for the past, but not my present.

What are some roadblocks that interfere with your prayer life?

6. Desperation moved a father to seek healing from Jesus (John 4:46-47) for his dying son. How has desperation moved you to pray?
7. How has prayer served you in your desperation?
8. Jesus was not going to let the man off with a lesser good, namely a momentary healing of his son. (John 4:48) Jesus was offering himself as the Savior of the world. (John 4:42) Is your prayer life more defined by what you seek *from* God than seeking God?
9. How does someone enjoy the presence of Jesus? How do you move from a prayer that begins and ends to a prayer life that is ongoing? (To ask it another way, have you ever just had a long running conversation with Jesus?)
10. Pray