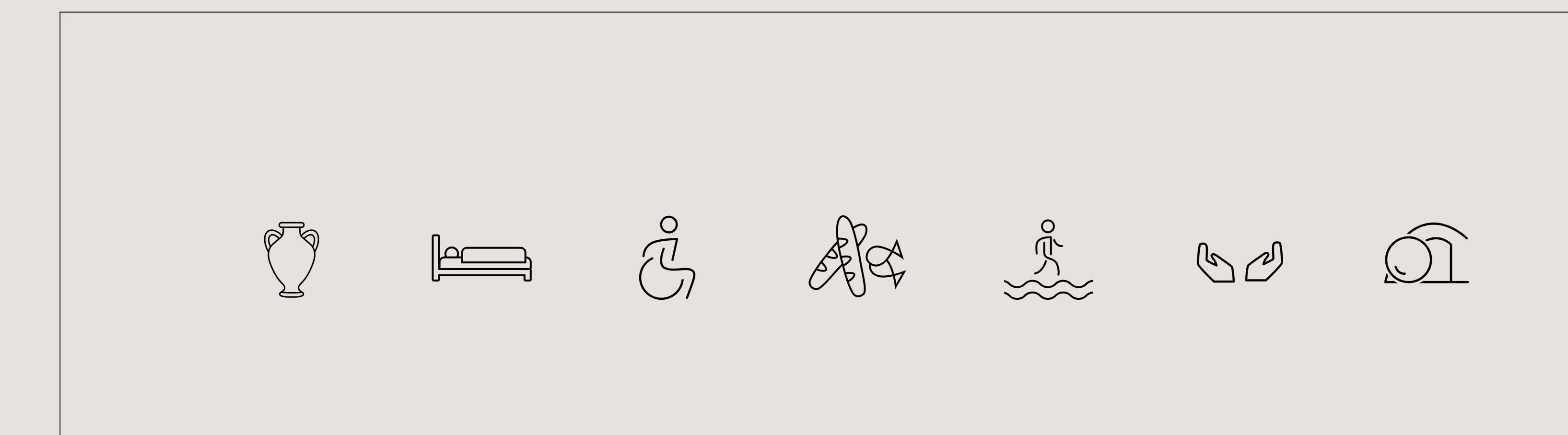


WEEK TWO

# HEALING OF OFFICIAL'S SON

JOHN 4:46-54

MIRACLES



# The Power of a Testimony

#### **John 4:39 NIV**

Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I ever did."

# A Great Awakening!

#### John 4:40-42 NIV

So when the Samaritans came to him, they urged him to stay with them, and he stayed two days. <sup>41</sup> And because of his words many more became believers. <sup>42</sup> They said to the woman, "We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world."

# The Return to Galilee

#### John 4:43, 46a NIV

After the two days he left for Galilee.

<sup>46</sup> Once more he visited **Cana** in Galilee, where he had turned the water into wine.

## **Crisis Faith**

#### John 4:46b-48 NIV

And there was a certain royal official whose son lay sick at Capernaum. <sup>47</sup> When this man heard that Jesus had arrived in Galilee from Judea, he went to him and begged him to come and heal his son, who was close to death. <sup>48</sup> "Unless you people see signs and wonders," Jesus told him, "you will never believe."





Pain is what we experience when we bump into reality.

-DALLAS WILLARD

On the bed of sickness, the Lord ripens His people for glory.

-DAVID DICKINSON

I venture to say that the greatest earthly blessing God can give to any of us is health, with the exception of sickness. Sickness has frequently been of more use to the saints of God than health has.

#### -CHARLES HADDON SPURGEON

We can ignore even pleasure. But pain insists upon being attended to. God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pains: it is his megaphone to rouse a deaf world.

-C.S. LEWIS

### **Confident Faith**

#### John 4:49-51 NIV

The royal official said, "Sir, come down before my child dies." <sup>50</sup> "Go," Jesus replied, "your son will live." The man took Jesus at his word and departed. <sup>51</sup> While he was still on the way, his servants met him with the news that his boy was living.

# **Confirmed Faith**

#### **John 4:52 NIV**

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."

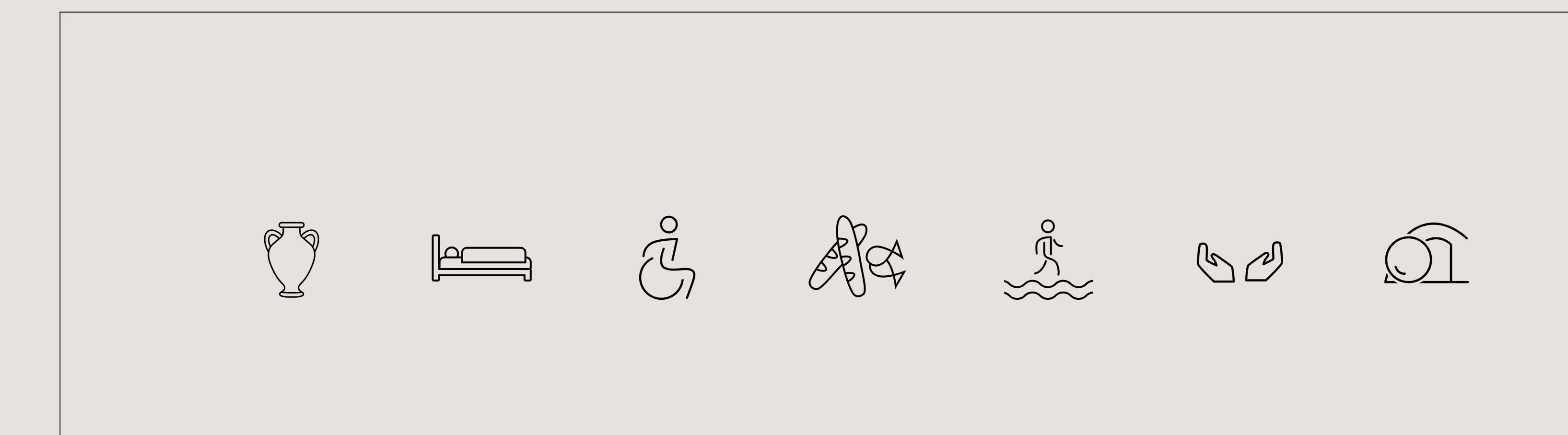
# **Contagious Faith**

#### **John 4:53 NIV**

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.

#### **John 4:54 NIV**

This was the second sign Jesus performed after coming from Judea to Galilee.



We trust that God's purposes for each of our lives are far deeper than the removal of our problems.

-JAMES JARRETT

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