






	FLIP THE SCRIPT - Healing the Official's Son
 <b>BIG IDEA</b>	<p>Jesus may not show up in the way you want Him to but He will show up in the way we need Him to.</p>
 <b>ICE BREAKER</b>	<p>What's something you believed as a kid that turned out to be completely wrong? (Like that teachers lived at school, lyrics of songs etc)</p>
 <b>MAIN POINTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● It's Hard to Trust Anything These Days. In fact, trust has become "almost like a luxury"</li> <li>● But Jesus is Worthy to be Trusted</li> <li>● The royal official trusted Jesus with his most precious thing - his dying son</li> <li>● Like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, we can say "Our God will deliver us, and even if He doesn't, we will still trust Him"</li> <li>● Three Practical Ways to Trust God: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Get quiet and pray - journaling, finding quiet space to talk honestly with God</li> <li>○ Invite others into your life - lean into the community God has placed around you</li> <li>○ Say yes to Jesus - accept His grace and salvation, trust Him with your eternal life</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
 <b>DISCUSS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What most stood out to you from the message this weekend? Why?</li> <li>2. DJ mentioned that "in a world full of masks, it's hard to trust a genuine face." What are some areas in your life where you struggle to trust (finances, career, relationships, parenting, health)? Why do you think this is?</li> <li>3. The royal official had to travel 25 miles and risk precious time while his son was dying. What "25-mile journey" is God asking you to take in faith right now? What's holding you back?</li> <li>4. Read Daniel 3:16-18 about Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. How does their statement "even if He doesn't" challenge or encourage your own faith? Can you think of a time when you had to trust God even when the outcome was uncertain?</li> <li>5. DJ suggested three practical ways to trust God (see main points). Which of these comes most naturally to you? Which is most challenging? How can you grow in the challenging area this week?</li> <li>6. Jesus didn't show up the way the royal official expected (by coming with him), but He showed up in the way that was needed (healing from a distance). Share about a time when God answered your prayers differently than you expected. How did that experience shape your trust in Him?</li> <li>7. DJ said that sometimes when we ask God for an answer, He sends us a friend. Who has God placed in your life that you can lean on during difficult times? How can this group better support each other in trusting God?</li> </ol>
 <b>NEXT STEP</b>	<p>Write a one-sentence prayer expressing your desire to trust Jesus more, what would it say? Take time to share these prayers with the group if you're comfortable.</p>
	<p>John 4:39-40 The royal official said, "Sir, come down before my child dies." "Go," Jesus replied, "your son will live." The man took Jesus at his word and departed.</p>

<b>SCRIPTUR E</b>	Daniel 3 16-18 Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to him, “King Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty’s hand. But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”
 <b>NEXT WEEK SNEAK PEAK</b>	Join us next week and invite a friend as continue the FLIP THE SCRIPT series exploring Jesus’ miracles!

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