



## Introduction:

### I. A \_\_\_\_\_ came to Jesus – 8:5-6

*5 Now when Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, pleading with Him, 6 saying, “Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented.”*

#### A. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ Capernaum.

Capernaum was the central headquarters of His \_\_\_\_\_. It was also the city where \_\_\_\_\_ home was located.

#### B. A centurion \_\_\_\_\_ to Him.

A centurion was a \_\_\_\_\_ in the Roman army. He was responsible for \_\_\_\_\_ men. He had some clout as a Roman military officer.

#### C. The Centurion \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus about his servant.

*Saying, “Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented.”*

I also found it interesting that the Greek word for “Servant” can also be translated, as a \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_. Some Bible teachers think that perhaps

the centurion was speaking about his own \_\_\_\_\_.

*“dreadfully tormented”* -

I have read that “If leprosy pictures the \_\_\_\_\_ and loathsomeness of sin, palsy (or paralysis) pictures sins \_\_\_\_\_. Those who are in its clutches are utterly unable to do anything for themselves.” (Bible Knowledge – Matthew 1:1-16:12).

This centurion came to Jesus desiring that He \_\_\_\_\_ his servant. This is miracle # 2 that we are going to see transpire in our text.

## **II. Jesus agrees to \_\_\_\_\_ the centurion’s servant – 8:7-9**

*7 And Jesus said to him, “I will come and heal him.” 8 The centurion answered and said, “Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed. 9 For I also am a man under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to this one, ‘Go,’ and he goes; and to another, ‘Come,’ and he comes; and to my servant, ‘Do this,’ and he does it.”*

Wouldn’t it be great to have something like this today?

- Step 1 – You go to the \_\_\_\_\_ – Jesus Christ, the great physician.
- Step 2 – You ask Him to \_\_\_\_\_ the person you care about.
- Step 3 – Jesus Christ \_\_\_\_\_ to come to your house.
- Step 4 – You tell Jesus that it’s not \_\_\_\_\_, just speak the word.
- Step 5 – You demonstrate your \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Healing Today**

Today we are to ask for healing through \_\_\_\_\_ (James 5:13-18). Also, God has given us modern \_\_\_\_\_ – which also provides healing.

What do we find in these verses?

**A. Jesus agreed to \_\_\_\_\_ him.**

Jesus said to him, *“I will come and heal him.”*

**B. The centurion \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus.**

*“Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof.*

**C. The centurion asked Jesus to just \_\_\_\_\_ the word.**

*But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed.*

Why did he think this way?

**D. The centurion spoke to Jesus about \_\_\_\_\_.**

*For I also am a man under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to this one, ‘Go,’ and he goes; and to another, ‘Come,’ and he comes; and to my servant, ‘Do this,’ and he does it.”*

**III. The centurion \_\_\_\_\_ great faith – 8:10-13**

**A. Jesus speaks of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the centurion – 8:10**

*10 When Jesus heard it, He marveled, and said to those who followed, “Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel!*

Did the centurion \_\_\_\_\_ great faith? Absolutely! One author wrote, “The centurion demonstrated a \_\_\_\_\_ faith.” And don’t forget, he was a Gentile.

**B. What was Jesus \_\_\_\_\_? – 8:11-12**

*11 And I say to you that many will come from east and west, and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. 12 But the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”*

**What is being \_\_\_\_\_ here in this verse?**

Some people think they are a part of God's kingdom, because of their \_\_\_\_\_, or ethnicity, but they do not possess Jesus Christ in their hearts.

**C. The centurion's servant was \_\_\_\_\_ at that very hour – 8:13**

*13 Then Jesus said to the centurion, "Go your way; and as you have believed, so let it be done for you." And his servant was healed that same hour.*

Jesus honors the centurion's \_\_\_\_\_ of Him. He tells him to go his way, and as he believed, so it would be done. His servant was healed that same hour.

**Here is the point:** If you had a \_\_\_\_\_ and you marked the time when the centurion asked Jesus to heal his servant, to the exact time that the servant was healed, it took place within the exact \_\_\_\_\_ that the centurion stood before the Lord.

**Conclusion:** What is the takeaway from this passage of Scripture? They are:

1. Jesus is available for \_\_\_\_\_ – Jew or Gentile.
2. People with problems are \_\_\_\_\_ far more than we may realize – dreadfully tormented.
3. We need to come to Jesus on behalf of those who need \_\_\_\_\_ .
4. \_\_\_\_\_ that Jesus Christ is willing to come and heal.
5. Get a grasp on the concept of \_\_\_\_\_ God works through authority.
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the centurion was essential in the storyline.
7. Don't just think you are a part of God's Kingdom – \_\_\_\_\_ that you have a relationship with Jesus Christ.
8. Jesus restores the \_\_\_\_\_ marginalized – the centurion's servant.
9. A \_\_\_\_\_ happened, and I believe they still happen!

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