

OVERHEARD CONVERSATIONS WITH JESUS

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REVIEW IT

What or Who left Jesus awestruck? Centurion Soldier, Jew or Slave, Disciple

Is it possible to replicate the faith of the Centurion soldier and have Jesus be amazed by me?

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Spend some time in the Word: Read Luke 7:2-10.

TALK ABOUT IT

1. Do you feel like you are unworthy to approach Jesus?
2. When you hear the word faith what comes to your mind?

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Daring Faith definition:
Faith is seeing from God's point of view

How to cultivate a Great Faith that leaves Jesus Awestruck

Hear the word of God - Romans 10:17 LSB, **Worship God** - Colossians 3:16 ,
Personal Disciplines - (*Bible Study* - 2 Timothy 3:16-17, *Prayer* - Philippians 4:6, *Fasting* -
Matthew 6:16-18 *Meditation* - Joshua 1:8 and, *Giving* - 2 Corinthians 9:6-8), **Godly**
Relationships - (Small Groups, Mentor, Accountability partner, Romans 12:9-10 NLT), **Serve**
others - 2 Corinthians 1:3-4, **Share how Jesus has changed your life** - Romans 10:14 NLT

3. Which of these has helped you grow your faith?
4. Which of these could you begin to cultivate into your life?

ACT ON IT/PRAY ABOUT IT

Share when you placed your faith in Jesus as Lord and Savior. (As much as you are able share: When, Where, Who helped you, What were the circumstance, How it changed your life)

When we confess our belief in Jesus as our personal Savior and Lord, our life begins to reflect a change from our old way of living. **A**- Admit I am unworthy, **B** - Believe Jesus is Lord and Savior, **C**- Confess my faith, Read Romans 10:8-10 (NIV).