

**MOUNT ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
SUNDAY SCHOOL BULLETIN NO 7**

Today we start a new series about people who followed Jesus. Today's person is a Roman Centurion. We're going to learn about faith and the right way to come to God.



Read Luke 7 v 1-10.

1) What is a centurion? a Roman army officer in charge of 100 soldiers / someone who is 100 years old / someone who is good at cricket

2) What do we know about him? (v 5, 8) He the Jews.

He built a for them. So he must have been He was used to telling people

This man was important and used to being in control. But one day he hit a problem he could not control.

3) What was that? (v2)

Most people like to think they are in control of their lives. You probably do too.

4) But what is our great need which we can't fix ourselves?

Do you admit that to yourself? Are you looking for the answer?

5) What did the centurion do with his problem? (v 3)

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6) What did he believe about the Lord Jesus?

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7) How did he feel about himself? (v6-7)

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8) How powerful did the centurion think Jesus was? (v7)

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This centurion was a man of authority himself. He understood that Jesus was much more powerful than him, so he had no problem in believing that Jesus could heal by just speaking.

9) What did Jesus say that the centurion had? (v 9)

10) If Jesus was able to heal a sick man just by speaking, Who does that mean He is?

It would have been pointless for the centurion to come to an ordinary man to ask for healing in this way. Only God can heal. Only God can heal our inner sickness - sin. Have you come to Jesus for healing from your sin?



The Right Approach to the Lord Jesus

The Lord Jesus came to die on the cross to heal us of our sin problem. We must each come to Him, the Saviour, to be put right. But we need to come in the right way.

1) We must have F _ _ _ . It's no good coming to the Jesus if we don't believe He is the Son of God and able to deal with our sin. Faith is a gift from God. We need to ask Him to give it to us.

2) We must be H _ _ _ _ (opposite of proud). The centurion felt unworthy. This is the right attitude of heart that we need. God is holy and we are sinful. We can't come to Him full of pride in ourselves.

3) We must be truly S _ _ _ for our sins. Sin is very serious. It is rejecting God as Lord over our life. When the Lord is at work in our hearts we feel ashamed of our sin and we are truly sorry. The Bible word for this is repentance.