

The Miracles of Jesus: The Centurion's Servant

In today's lesson we will be learning all about one of the miracles that Jesus performed.



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In our last lesson, we learned why Jesus performed miracles and looked at two of them.

Tell your grown up:

What a miracle is; why Jesus performed them and what the people who saw Jesus perform miracles thought and felt.



Think about it

In our last lesson, we learned about a miracle Jesus performed to calm a storm. These pictures show Jesus doing this. Which is your favourite and why? Which picture best represents the story? Talk to your grown up.



Today we are going to find out about another miracle that Jesus performed. In this miracle, Jesus heals someone.

The story is called '**The Centurion's Servant**'.

Click the link on our Remote Learning page to listen to Mrs Riley reading it.

You can also read it on the next few pages.



As you listen or read, I want you to think about what the Centurion said to Jesus and how.

One day, after Jesus had finished preaching to a large crowd of people, He came down from the mountain and went into the town of Capernaum. The streets were busy but one important man was not out with the crowds. A Roman soldier sat inside at the side of his much beloved servant's bed. This soldier was a centurion, meaning he was in charge of 100 men when they went to battle. The centurion was well respected by everyone in Capernaum because he treated everyone fairly.





Despite his importance, the centurion was at home caring for one of his servants who was very sick. The centurion knew that, without a miracle, the servant would die. Suddenly, the centurion heard lots of noise in the street below. The centurion listened to hear what the shouting was all about. He heard cries of “Jesus!” People were shouting “Jesus is here! Jesus is coming!” The centurion had heard all about Jesus. Recently stories of Jesus healing the sick and even raising a man from the dead had reached the town.



The centurion knew this was his only chance. He did not wish to leave his sick servant's side, so he asked some of his friends to find Jesus and beg for his help.

The friends soon found Jesus and they begged Him to come with them and heal the centurion's dying servant. They said, "If anyone deserves your help, it is this man. He loves the Jews and even paid personally to build us a synagogue." After listening intently to the men, Jesus said, "I will come and heal his servant."



Not far from the house, more friends of the centurion arrived with a message for Jesus. The message told Jesus not to come to the house, for the centurion did not feel he was worthy to welcome such a great man into his house. "Just speak a word, and I know my dear servant will be healed," the centurion's message read.



When Jesus read the centurion's words, He marvelled at the man's faith. He was delighted that the centurion would believe that just one word from Jesus could heal a man. He turned to the crowd and said, "Never among all the Jews in Israel have I met a man with faith like this." Jesus healed the centurion's servant with just a word. It was a miracle!

Time to think! Time to talk!

In this story, Jesus healed a sick man.

Think about these questions and talk to your grown up about them.

Did Jesus meet the Centurion?
Why didn't the Centurion want Jesus to come into his house?
Why did Jesus heal the servant?

Think of words to describe the Centurion.



A Man of Faith



Did you spot that in the story, the centurion believed that Jesus could help him and showed great faith. The centurion put his trust in Jesus even though he didn't think that he was good enough for Jesus to come inside his house. Because the centurion showed such faith, Jesus healed his servant.

The Centurion said that he 'was not worthy for Jesus to enter' his house. Where have you heard these words before? Talk to your grown up.

Your Task

Answer these questions about the story.

Remember to use capital letters and full stops and to write in full sentences.

Miracle

What did the Centurion ask Jesus to do? Why was Jesus impressed with the Centurion?



Is it easy to show such faith?

When do we hear the words the Centurion spoke?



Challenge

Create an acrostic poem about **TRUST**.

Have a look at my example of an acrostic poem about **FAITH**. Can you see the first letters of each line spell the word faith and that my ideas are linked to my thoughts and feelings about my faith. Use this layout for your acrostic poem about **TRUST**.

Find the good in others

Always pray every day

Inspire others to follow Jesus

Trust God with all your heart.

Help other people to know that Jesus is our Lord



Well done Year 2.

Thank you for working so hard for me.

I can't wait to see your work.

*God
bless
you*

————— GOD BLESS YOU —————