

# *Healing the Centurion's Servant*



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Did you know...

A centurion was a Roman soldier in charge of 100 soldiers.

The Romans were in charge of Israel in Jesus time.

Most of them thought that they were better than the Jews, but this one was different...



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*Light candle and read story first... directly from Bible.*

Matthew 8: 5-10, 13.

5 When he entered Capernaum, a centurion approached him and appealed to him,

6 saying, "Lord, my servant is lying at home paralysed, suffering dreadfully."

7 He said to him, "I will come and cure him."

8 The centurion said in reply, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you enter under my roof; only say the word and my servant will be healed.

9 For I too am a person subject to authority, with soldiers subject to me. And I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come here,' and he comes; and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he does it."

10 When Jesus heard this, he was amazed and said to those following him, "Amen, I say to you, in no one in Israel have I found such faith...

13 And Jesus said to the centurion, "You may go; as you have believed, let it be done for you." And at that very hour (his) servant was healed.

Why do you think it might have been unusual for important Roman soldiers to ask for anything from the Jews?

What may have made the centurion think that Jesus might be different?

Why do you think that the centurion thought that he was unworthy to have Jesus come to his house?

Do you think we might feel like the centurion sometimes?

Why do you think Jesus might have told this story for us to think about?

What do you think this story tells us about God and us?