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Great Faith!

Luke 7:1-17

I believe that our passage today teaches us three things about *faith* and three things about *God*!

Great Faith ...

~ Begins with an awareness of our unworthiness

~ Results from understanding the object of our faith

~ Trusts our representation

God is ...

~ Compassionate

~ Motivated

~ Present

Application



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Go Deep Study Guide

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Getting Started

What did you find most helpful from this week's sermon? Was anything confusing? Is there anything that needs clarification? Discuss as a group.

If you haven't heard the sermon yet, you can access it at: www.cbventura.org

Going Deeper

Read [Matthew 8:5-13](#) and compare it with our passage in Luke. What things are similar? Different? What stands out to you? What's your take on this?

What impressed you from our passage? Share your thoughts and observations with your group.

Do a word study on the word *accomplished/finished/fulfilled* which is found in [Luke 1:1](#) and also in [Luke 7:1](#) (our text). How does this word relate to Jesus' mission? How does this word shed new light on Christ's final words on the Cross? Share your insights with your group (or a friend if you're not in a small group).

Did you learn anything new about the Roman centurion? What impressed you about him?

The first time that the word *worthy* is mentioned in the New Testament is [Matthew 8:8](#), when the centurion says that he's not worthy for Jesus to come to his home. Explain how our *unworthiness* the very heart of the Gospel message.

Read and meditate upon Psalm 8. How does Psalm 8 differ from how it's recorded in Hebrews 2? What are your thoughts on this?

Read Acts 10:28 to discover the source of the stipulation that a Gentile could not come into the home of a Jew, and vice versa. What does God teach Peter in this same passage (Acts 10:23-33)? How does this apply to us today?

Discuss why Great Faith results from the object of our faith, and not anything that we can attribute to ourselves.

Do you trust your representation (God/Jesus/the Holy Spirit)? What do other passages in Scripture say about this? Hebrews 4:14; 7:22-25; 8:26-27; Matthew 6:8 are a few to get you started. Spend some time in prayer thanking God for His representation!

In what ways have you known God to be compassionate? Motivated (eager to help)? Present? Share with others.

Application

Ask God to increase your faith this week. Pray that He would expand your awareness of how Great He is!

Prayer

How can your group pray for you? If you don't have a group and you're doing this study individually, feel free to email your request to the CBC staff.