

Word on Wednesday Bible Study

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Great Faith!

Scripture: Luke 7:1-10

Luke 7 reveals a centurion ruler that believed in God but was unaffiliated with Judaism. The relational authority and reputation of Jesus had grown throughout Capernaum. The centurion had great faith that God could heal his sick servant, then as a result he acted on that faith.

1. Great Faith exhibits _____ (Luke 7:1-3).
 - Now **faith** is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Heb 11:1
 - And without **faith** it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. Heb 11:6
2. Great Faith flows from an _____ (Luke 7:4-7).
 - And Jesus went with them. When he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends, saying to him, "**Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof.** Vs. 6
 - Vs 7a... therefore I did not presume (consider myself worthy) to come to you...
 - "Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope..." Rom 5:3-5
3. Great Faith possesses trust in _____ (Luke 7:8-10).
 - "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding; in all your ways know him, and he will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:5-6
 - "Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us." Psalms 62:8
 - Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD GOD is an everlasting rock. Isa 26:4

As followers of Jesus Christ, we are transformed by Christ and have access to an unlimited supply of God's grace and mercy. The centurion recognized his own authority and related this attribute towards a higher view of God. We must commit to spend time in God's word that we could know him more fully. As Gentiles, we can rejoice that we have been grafted into the family of God. We also have the spirit of God resting on the inside of us. Let's live our lives in constant gratitude by being obedient to offer Jesus to those in need.