QUEST - 52 - Week 20

April 13, 2025

KEY POINTS:

- Centurions in the New Testament are painted in a good light. This shows the paradox that outsiders are often more full of faith than insiders.
- The centurion amazed Jesus by his faith, which is impressive since the only other time Jesus was amazed was by his own hometown's *lack* of faith.
- If you impress Jesus, it will be by your faith in him.

QUESTIONS:

After reading the essay, do you think Jesus is impressed with you?

Abraham is known as the father of faith. Read his story in genesis 12: 1-9; 14: 1-24. What similarities does this Centurion have with Abraham?

Meditate on acts 10: 1-8, 22-23, 28-29, 34-how does this story of Cornelius reflect Jesus's encounter with the centurion.

- Share a story of someone who surprised you in a positive way
- what does Hebrews 11:1 mean?
- Why do you think outsiders are often clearer about who Jesus is then insiders?
- If you are willing to be vulnerable what is an area of your life you that you really have not trusted Jesus with

Approach someone you think is far from God and ask this question" Hey I was just curious - what do you believe about Jesus?" -