



HAT DOES IT MEAN TO ME?

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- b. Jesus performed this healing for someone who was not a Jew.
- c. The servant who was healed asked for healing himself.
- d. Other

What does this tell you about Jesus?

- a. Jesus can heal any way He chooses.
- b. We can ask Jesus to heal people when they can't ask for themselves.
- c. Jesus will listen to our prayers for people we care about.
- d. Jesus is both good and powerful.

What are some of the ways that Jesus heals?

- a. Immediately and miraculously
- b. By providing good doctors
- c. In heaven
- d. Mysteriously

When it gets personal:

When have you prayed to Jesus for someone else?

Who could you pray for today?

Eyewitness Reports:

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Matthew focused on the man's faith. What details does Luke include that Matthew leaves out?

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HAT DOES IT SAY?

Look at the details the centurion wanted Jesus to know about his servant (Matthew 8:6). List them here:

This officer was not Jewish, but he must have known the rules about Jews and Gentiles. Jews were not allowed to go into the homes of Gentiles. Which verses tell you he believed Jesus would heal his servant anyway?



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What does this story tell you about the officer's relationship with his servant?

- a. He cared about him.
- b. He didn't want him to suffer.
- c. He just wanted him to be able to work hard again.
- d. This was his favorite servant.

What else does this story tell you about the officer himself?

- a. He had heard about Jesus' healing.
- b. He was prideful.
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