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Good morning

Let's as usual be still and quiet whilst we wait on God.....

Father,
guide and protector of Your people,
grant us an unfailing respect for Your name,
and keep us always in Your love.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Matthew 8:5-17

Jesus Heals a Centurion's Servant

When he entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, appealing to him and saying, 'Lord, my servant is lying at home paralysed, in terrible distress.' And he said to him, 'I will come and cure him.' The centurion answered, 'Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only speak the word, and my servant will be healed. For I also am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, "Go", and he goes, and to another, "Come", and he comes, and to my slave, "Do this", and the slave does it.' When Jesus heard him, he was amazed and said to those who followed him, 'Truly I tell you, in no one in Israel have I found such faith. I tell you, many will come from east and west and will eat with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, while the heirs of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' And to the centurion Jesus said, 'Go; let it be done for you according to your faith.' And the servant was healed in that hour.

Jesus Heals Many at Peter's House

When Jesus entered Peter's house, he saw his mother-in-law lying in bed with a fever; he touched her hand, and the fever left her, and she got up and began to serve him. That evening they brought to him many who were possessed by demons; and he cast out the spirits with a word, and cured all who were sick. This was to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah, 'He took our infirmities and bore our diseases.'

Reflection

Wow, what an amazing display of faith. Do we have the same faith?

A soldier told Jesus that one of his servants was paralyzed and he was suffering terribly. As soon as Jesus heard this news, he told the centurion to take him to his home so he could cure the man. The centurion did not agree to this because he believed that he was not worthy to have Jesus come to his home. The man told Jesus that he understood authority and how it worked. The centurion believed that Jesus did not have to come and

touch his servant; he trusted that Jesus could and would heal the man without ever seeing or touching him. Jesus was surprised at this man's faith, trust, and belief in him. Jesus told the centurion that he had not encountered anyone who had such faith. Jesus then instructed the centurion to return home. At that hour, the centurion's servant was healed.

Remember before we share the Eucharist we say 'Lord I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed' We say it each time but do we truly believe it? What is the healing we desire from Jesus? If we ask Jesus to heal us, do we trust that healing will take place in us? The healing may not be an immediate miracle, and the healing may not take place in the manner or the time for which we hope. However, this does not mean that Jesus is not at work in us. Today, may we open our minds, bodies, and hearts to His healing power. Jesus will not fail us!

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen

We give thanks for the healing power of faith,
We ask that you bless and guide all who heal.
We ask that the ill and weary may know you as their companion and helper.
We pray for all who are hard pressed and struggling. AMEN

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ. AMEN

Blessings and love
Until tomorrow

Vicky