

## QUEST 4: JESUS HEALS THE ROMAN OFFICER'S SERVANT (LUKE 7:1-10)

### KEY AIMS

- To find out that Jesus' power is not limited by distance
- To understand the importance of having faith in Jesus

### What You Need

- +Activity leaflets
- +Battery powered tea light
- +Optional - Treasure Chest and Treasure Scroll
- +Optional - Spire of Light
- +Optional - Craft materials
- +Optional - equipment for your chosen game

### THEME SONG

*Option – play the Guardians of Ancora theme song (mp3 or video) to bring everyone together. The video can be found on the Multi-media links document in the Appendix*

### OPENING ACTIVITY

This opening activity game is played like "Mother May I?" Ask all the participants line up at one end the room you are using for the game. Choose one participant to be the Commander at the other end of the room. The commander will give a participant a command such as take 3 giant steps, 2 scissor steps, 4 tiny steps, etc. The participant must ask 'Commander may I?' before they perform the step. If they fail to do so, they cannot move forward and they lose their turn. The Commander will then reply, 'Yes you may'. The participant can then move forward. The Commander will then move on to the second participant and so on. The first person to reach the Commander wins. After the game, explain that the Bible story today is about Jesus met a very powerful Roman Officer, who knew all about giving commands.

### OPENING PRAYER

Thank you Jesus for your great power to heal from wherever you are. Teach us how to have faith in you.

### READ - Luke 7:1-10

Read the passage out loud in a way that is suitable for your family members.

*Option – play the Guardians of Ancora video of this story. The video can be found on the multi-media links document in the Appendix.*

### TALK ABOUT IT

Consider the problem in this story and how the different people showed that they cared. How do you think the Roman Officer knew about Jesus? Why did he think Jesus could help? The Roman Officer and Jesus both have authority. How are these 2 men the same and how are they different? What did Jesus say about the Officer's faith? What do you learn about Jesus from this story?

### DIG A LITTLE DEEPER

Take time to complete the activity sheets. Talk about the kind of power found in the first activity sheet and other kinds of power, for example, the wind and physical strength. Then talk about Jesus' power.



## WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR US?

Explain that because the Roman officer had great faith in Jesus' power, it meant that he turned to Jesus in his time of need. Talk about what it means to have faith in Jesus. Some children may need a little help to understand the concept of faith. You might find words such as "trust," "belief" and "hope" helpful in your conversation. Talk about the times when you have turned to Jesus for help and have seen His power at work. *Option - Write your comments and thoughts on a Treasure Scroll. Then roll it up and place it in the Treasure Chest.*

## PRAY TOGETHER

Begin by saying 'Thank you, Jesus, that you care about our needs and have great power. Like the Officer in today's story, we can trust you.' As you pass tea light around, encourage everyone to mention something that Jesus would care about today and to thank Jesus for his power in all circumstances. *Option - after praying you could add the tea light to the Spire of Light.*

## CRAFT

*Option - "Make a Roman Officer's helmet" - see below*

## GAME

*Option - choose a game from the games in the Appendix.*

## THEME SONG

*Option - play the Guardians of Ancora theme song (mp3 or video) to finish your time together. The video can be found on the Multi-media links document in the Appendix.*

## CRAFT

### MAKE A ROMAN OFFICERS HELMET

#### SUPPLIES

- Cardboard or paper and aluminum foil or metallic paper
- Red construction paper
- Scissors (or box knife if used by an adult)
- Tape and glue
- Stapler

#### DIRECTIONS

See the photos on the next page for a step by step guide to creating your own Roman helmet. You will need to cut the pieces to fit each person. You can use tape or staples to hold the pieces together. You may wish to glue the aluminum foil or metallic paper to the pieces before you put them together or wait until complete. (The photos were posted to pintrest by Dorota Hecker - Ritter Kostüm Kinder, #Ritter Kostüm Kinder)





# THIS STORY IS ABOUT A R O



Can you find seven things in this picture that need power to work?



Where does their power come from?

# Connect each phrase on the left with its match on the right



A Centurion is a

He found his servant was healed

The Centurion's servant

Roman captain with over 100 soldiers

The captain had built

Jesus to come to his house

The man sent the Jewish elders

Without coming to him

The soldier felt unworthy for

The man's faith

He knew Jesus could heal his servant

To plead with Jesus

The soldier had authority and he knew

Jesus had authority

Jesus was amazed at

Was sick and ready to die

When the men returned home

A synagogue for the Jews

# TREASURE SCROLL

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