



# Sermon Questions

October 26th, 2025 | Scripture: Luke 7:1-10 – Jesus Meets Us in Our Success

Pre-study: 3 things from the sermon. *Write down 3 ideas, illustrations, quotes, or points that made an impression in the sermon.*

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- 2.
- 3.

## Core Questions

1. What kind of success and authority would a Roman centurion have been accustomed to in Jesus's day and how might that make his humility toward Jesus surprising?
2. Contrast verses 4-5 with verses 6-7. How does the worthiness that the Jews say that the centurion has contrast with the worthiness that the gospel writer focuses on?
3. What might the centurion have heard about Jesus that convinced him of His authority and what kinds of things strengthen or weaken our faith in Jesus's authority today?
4. Why does Jesus say - "I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith." – in verse 9?

## Inward Grace in Action

1. When you think about your reputation, what are you most tempted to find your worth in besides your faith in Christ?
2. How does seeing Jesus's authority in this story challenge or encourage your faith in areas of your life where you feel powerless?

## Outward Grace in Action

1. What would it look like for your family or our group to use whatever authority, success, or resources God has given you to serve someone in need this week?

## WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Here are some other ways you can meet with God throughout the week:

*Reflect* on these Scriptures:

- Deuteronomy 8:11-20
- Joshua 1:7-9
- Psalm 1
- Proverbs 3:5-8
- Luke 9:23-27
- Philippians 3:1-11

*Pray:* It is recorded that Jesus marvels only twice during his gospel ministry, in this passage and in one other place, both related to faith and unbelief. Take time to thank the Lord for the gift of faith that he has given you. Then reflect on 2 Thessalonians 1:3 and ask the Lord to increase your faith in him more and more.

*Serve:* The government shutdown has been difficult for many during this season. The deacon's fund at our church is purposed for times just like this. Therefore, if you are in need of assistance, or know someone else who is, please follow the link below to reach out. Likewise, if you have not been affected by the shutdown and find yourself in a position to give to the fund, please follow the link below as well:

- <https://mcleanpres.org/care/deacons-fund/>

*Look Ahead:* Next week's passage will be from the gospel of John, where we will see how Jesus meets us in our betrayal.

For Families: Ideas of how to keep the conversation going at home, in the car, or around the dinner table:

1. A - Ask about the message: Ask your children what they would like to be known for.
2. S – Share your thoughts: Share how there are many good things to aspire to be known for in our lives, yet Jesus marvels at the quality of our faith.
3. K – Keep it going: Take time to pray and ask the Lord to increase your family's trust in Him more and more. You could even talk about starting a new habit to help increase your faith such as family devotions or scripture memory.