

## ***Script – Healing of the Centurion’s Servant***

[Opening scenes: Stage left – Jesus and the disciples walking and talking along the road to Capernaum. Stage right – A room with the servant on the floor in agony; the centurion trying to comfort the sick person, soldiers standing nearby.]

**Narrator:** Jesus and His disciples were walking along the road towards the Sea of Galilee to a well-known town called Capernaum.

**Peter:** [to John] I wonder how the fishing was last night? We can ask Zebedee.

**John:** My dad will be at the market by now, if there was a good catch. He may be by the seashore cleaning and mending the nets.

**Andrew:** Jesus told us to follow Him and He would make us fishers of men!

**Peter:** I remember when He said that. We left our nets, the boats, everything and followed Him.

**Jesus:** Everyone that hears my words and puts them into practice is like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built.

[Jesus and the disciples continue slowly talking among themselves. The focus is on Stage Right in the centurion’s home]

**Centurion:** [trying to comfort his servant, with a concerned look] Try this cool cloth on your forehead.

**Soldier 1:** [comes into the room] Sir, Jesus of Nazareth has come into town. There is a large crowd of people gathering to see Him.

**Centurion:** [to himself] I have heard great things about Him. He can heal my Servant.  
[speaking to the soldier] Bring the Jewish elders here quickly.

[The centurion returns to comfort the servant while the soldier leaves and returns with the elders]

**Centurion:** You know how I have helped you in the past, so now I need your help. Please go and ask Jesus to come and heal my servant.

**Elder 1:** We will do what you asked.

[The elders leave and go around to the other side of the stage to where Jesus and the disciples are talking. They push through the crowd and come up to Jesus]

**Elder 2:** Teacher, the Roman centurion asked us to come for help.

**Elder 1:** The centurion's servant is very sick, near death. Would you please come?

**Elder 2:** The centurion has been very kind to our people.

**Elder 1:** He has even help build our church.

**Jesus:** I will go with you.

[Jesus, the elders and disciples change direction and slowly walk while the scene focus changes back to the centurion's home]

**Centurion:** [to Soldier 2] Quickly, so to Jesus with this message. [Soldier 2 leaves to find Jesus]

[Scene change back to Jesus and the disciples]

**Soldier 2:** [runs up and kneels down before Jesus] My master, the centurion says Lord, don't trouble yourself, for I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. That is why I did not even consider myself worthy to come to you. But say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I myself am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. I tell this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and that one, 'Come,' and he comes. I say to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it."

**Narrator:** When Jesus heard this, He was amazed. He turned to the crowd

**Jesus:** I tell you, I have not found such great faith even in Israel. [then turning to the soldier] Go tell your master it will be done just as you believed it would.

[Soldier returns. The centurion's servant gets up healed and happily embraces his master]

The End