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Jesus was so astonished at the faith of the Centurion he told the crowd that this man had greater faith than any he had seen in all Israel. This Centurion's faith was surprising on a number of counts. He was a Roman citizen; he was honored by the Jews; he recognized his own unworthiness; and most amazingly, he believed that if Jesus would simply say it, his daughter would be healed. No sinful pride in himself stood in the way of his faith in Jesus. This Centurion confessed his unworthiness before Jesus. He trusted Jesus could heal his daughter. This Centurion's faith was well founded. For even when Jesus was on earth, yet he is above every authority. Jesus is the Son of God. Jesus' word accomplishes what it says. His daughter was healed that very hour. May the Holy Spirit remove our pride in our own ways, and give us true faith to trust only in Jesus.

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