

## Introduction

1. The earthly ministry of Christ proves His Divinity.
  - a. He healed the lame.
  - b. He raised the dead.
  - c. He calmed the raging sea.
2. Jesus invites ALL to follow Him but there is a COST that must be paid.
3. The world sought to hear Him and see His amazing miracles. At times the whole city came to meet Jesus.



### Select Verses

8:2 - *"And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean."*

8:8 - *"The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed."*

- 8:10 - *"When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel."*
- 8:20 - *"And Jesus saith unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head."*
- 8:26 - *"And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm."*

### Select Thoughts / Themes

1. After Jesus preached the sermon on the mount, multitudes followed Him. A leper worshiped Him, asking to be cleansed (vs 1-4).

God's  
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Events

Matt.  
8  
All Times

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2. Others came to be healed, or to have their dear ones healed. Jesus saw and commended them, especially the centurion's faith (who was a Gentile) (v 10).
3. One of the reasons for healing by Jesus was to fulfill the prophecies (Esaias, v 17).
4. Some in the first century STATED they wanted to follow Christ but were unwilling to pay the cost necessary to be a Christian (19-22).
  - a. Serving Christ may mean doing without worldly things.
  - b. Obeying Christ comes before even our family.
5. In the storm the disciples were afraid (v 25). Fear can show the little faith we have in our Lord.



### To Consider Further...

1. Consider again the POWER of our Saviour:
  - a. Man with leprosy..... 1-4
  - b. Centurion's servant ..... 5-13
  - c. Peter's mother-in-law ..... 14-15
  - d. Many healed..... 16-17
  - e. Winds and waves ..... 23-27
  - f. Demon possessed men..... 28-34
2. To follow the Saviour, it must be according to the Lord's terms and be willing to pay the cost of discipleship.
3. Miracles were performed to confirm the Divinity of Christ (John 20:30-31).
4. Were those in the first century able to KNOW He was divine?
5. Discuss the two major points that are found in this chapter? (Miracles of Christ and the cost of discipleship).