Faith, Hope, and Love Amazing Faith Matthew 8:5-13

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A healthy church requires three elements/virtues to be in abundance: Faith, Hope, and Love. Hope looks forward. Love lives out.

Jesus' exchange with the Roman Centurion highlights the essence of amazing faith . . .

- Worship—A response that flows from the honest recognition of who God is.
 - □ "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof." (v. 8)
 - ◆ The centurion recognized Christ's authority.
- Humility—Seeing myself as God sees me.
 - "For I too am a man <u>under authority</u>, having soldiers under my command." (v. 9)
 - •The centurion understood authority and its personal implications.

- Assurance—A settled trust sourced in the reality of God's authority, awareness, ability, and activity.
 - □ "Just say the word, and my servant <u>will be</u> healed." (v. 8)
 - ◆The centurion's faith was not founded on "could," but "would."

Bottom Line: Faith is an honest recognition <u>and</u> humble response to the authority of Jesus.

Do You Trust Him?