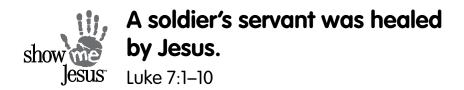


## A soldier's servant was healed by Jesus.

Luke 7:1–10



## **☆Let's Talk and Wonder**

- SAY Once there was an important soldier, called a centurion, who had a sick servant. He sent the leaders of the Jews to Jesus for help.
- SAY I wonder what the centurion thought Jesus could do . . .
- SAY The Jewish leaders found Jesus and asked him if he would heal the centurion's servant. So Jesus went with the men. When they were on their way to the centurion's house, his friends ran to meet Jesus with a message from the centurion. He had faith that Jesus could just say the word and his servant would be healed. Jesus didn't have to travel all the way to his house.
- SAY Jesus told everyone he was amazed that the centurion had such great faith. When the centurion's friends hurried back to the house, they found that the sick servant had been made well. Jesus had healed him, just as the centurion knew he could!

## ☆Let's Do

Use colorful markers to print the letters *F-A-I-T-H* on large index cards, one letter per card. Go over the word with the children. Explain that Jesus gives us faith. It is a gift God gives us so we can reach out and receive what Jesus did for us when he died on the cross to save us.



2 Sit on the floor in a circle. Place the cards in the middle of the circle. Ask the children to say the letters with you and then say the word faith. Tell children to close their eyes. Remove one index card. Ask which letter is missing. After they identify it, return the card and continue playing the game, removing a different letter each time. At the end of the activity, talk about the miracle Jesus did and how the centurion put his faith in Jesus.



Make mini praise signs. Cut out a **heart shape** for each child. Write on each heart Jesus is God my Savior. Let children personalize their hearts with drawings and stickers. Cut two lines inside each heart. Slide a **drinking straw** through each heart.

