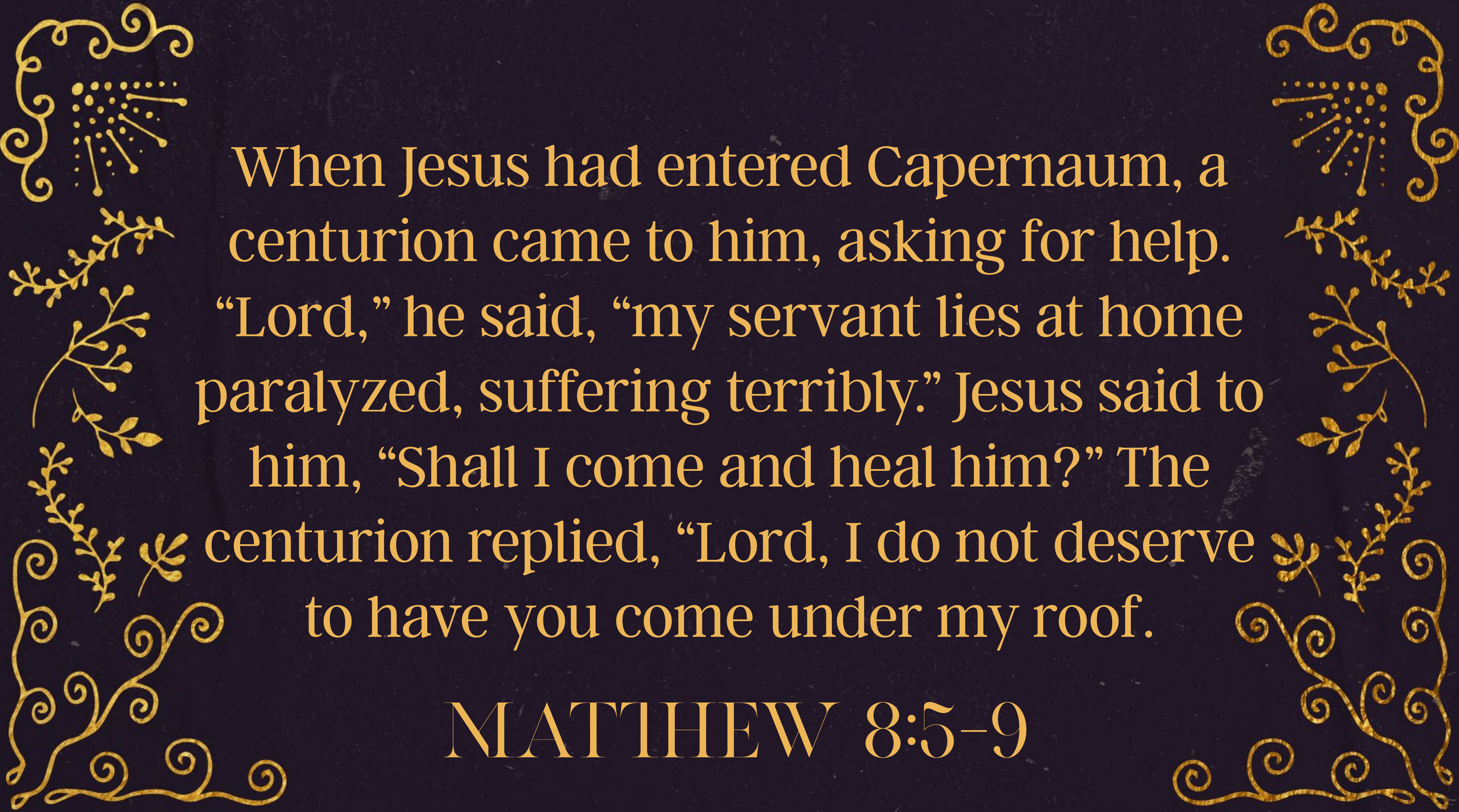


ENCOUNTERS
WITH
JESUS

A WONDERFUL
FAITH



To encounter Jesus
is that we live
AMAZED.



When Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, asking for help. “Lord,” he said, “my servant lies at home paralyzed, suffering terribly.” Jesus said to him, “Shall I come and heal him?” The centurion replied, “Lord, I do not deserve to have you come under my roof.

MATTHEW 8:5-9



But just 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.”

MATTHEW 8:5-9

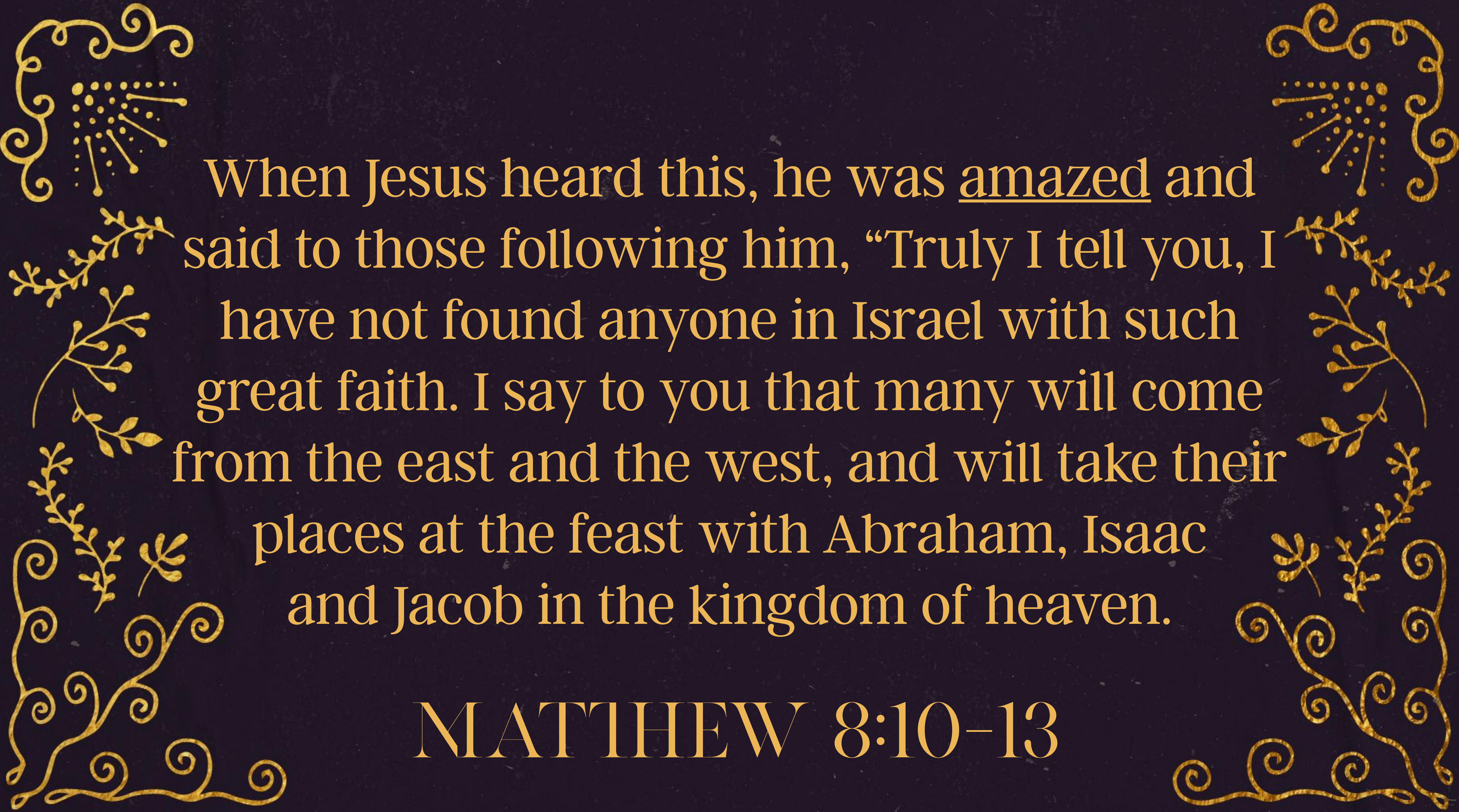
THE FAITH ON DISPLAY IS SURPRISING BECAUSE...



1. It challenges the no-go mindset.
MATTHEW 8:7

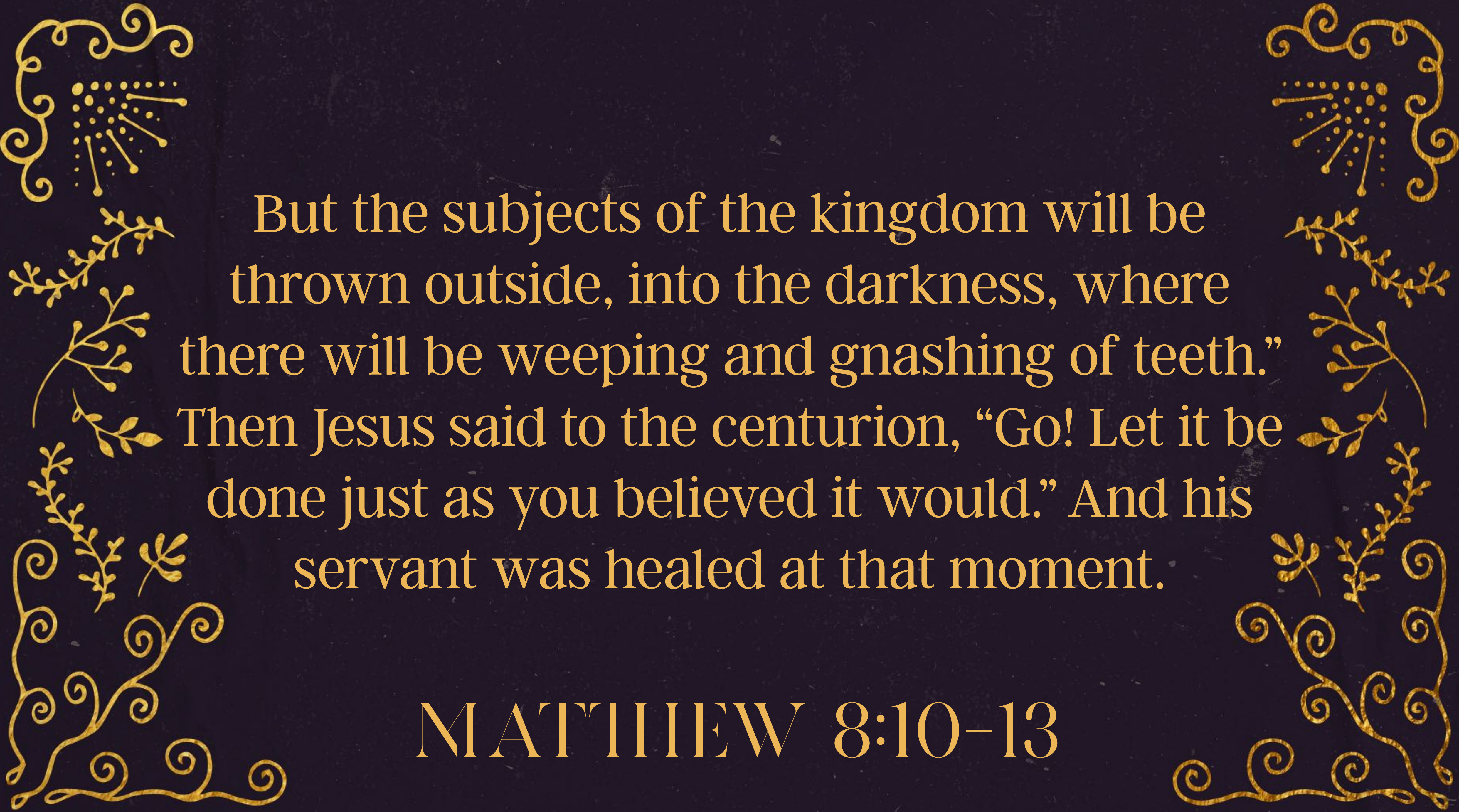
2. It challenges me to believe that just
because something hasn't happened
doesn't mean it can't.
MATTHEW 8:8

3. It challenges me to give Jesus room to act.
MATTHEW 8:9



When Jesus heard this, he was amazed and said to those following him, “Truly I tell you, I have not found anyone in Israel with such great faith. I say to you that many will come from the east and the west, and will take their places at the feast with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven.

MATTHEW 8:10–13



But the subjects of the kingdom will be thrown outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” Then Jesus said to the centurion, “Go! Let it be done just as you believed it would.” And his servant was healed at that moment.

MATTHEW 8:10–13

“AMAZED”

.....IN MATTHEW

Jesus was amazed —8:10

Men were amazed —8:27

Crowd was amazed —9:8

Crowd was amazed —9:33

Gentiles were amazed —15:31

Disciples were amazed —21:20

Opponents were amazed —22:22

Governor was amazed —27:14



To encounter Jesus
is to be
AMAZED.



...the Lord has done this,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

PSALM 118:23



How do we live with a faith that is
willing to be surprised?

1. Never take what God has done for granted!
2. Never stop being amazed at what God is doing!
3. Worship the One who does amazing things!



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