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Let it be done just as you believed it would.

(Matthew 8:13)

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Trust Jesus

Dear friends of go4peace,

his job had taken him to the shores of Lake Gennesaret, far from home. He was a captain in a roman garrison. Starting as simple soldier, he had worked his way through the ranks. He took good care of the people in his house. The natives were Jewish and for them he was a foreigner, a heathen. He had learnt that devout Jews would never set foot in his house. It was against the law.

His rank of captain allowed him to see what was going on around him. He had noticed that there was a young Rabbi, someone many people trusted. With him, it wasn't just empty phrases! His words carried real power and had healed various sick people. This encouraged the captain to approach Jesus. He said to him: "Lord, my servant lies at home paralysed, suffering terribly." Jesus offered to go to the captain's house. As this was against the law, the captain did not want to ask this of Jesus and so he said: 'Lord, I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. 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.' The faith of the captain moved Jesus and so he said: 'Go! Let it be done just as you believed it would.' And his servant was healed at that moment.

A lady rang me. "Would you believe it" she said, "a priest from Africa will spend a year in our parish." We had to find an apartment close to church. I immediately thought about the daily motto 'go out of yourself, create togetherness'. I had heard that it could take up to 5 years to find an apartment in our town. The waiting list was long! Mission impossible! I prayed to a deceased priest: "I need your help" – Then I started ringing around. I found out that there was a flat available opposite the church. I phoned the landlord and we immediately established a good atmosphere. At the end of our conversation it was agreed that the apartment would be let out to the African priest. We met in the flat and I was amazed to see that it was fully fitted out. Everything one needed for a household was there. On my way back I was certain: Only the help from heaven had made this possible. – **Trust Jesus!**

for the go4peaceTeam

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