

Matthew 8

8:1-4— The key point in the healing of the leper:
Jesus touches him, an ultimate expression of love.

8:5-13 – The loving request by a centurion.

Most likely, the centurion was not Jewish.

The centurion's attitude: humility and faith.

Jesus foreshadows that the good news about Him will reach
the whole world, even to the Gentiles.

The key word that binds the two together is “faith.”

(The words “faith” and “believe” are the same in Greek,)

This is the first indication that salvation comes through
believing in Jesus.

8:14-17 – Jesus healed *all unconditionally* (cf. 4:24)

Matthew foreshadows *Isaiah*.

8:18-27 – Jesus gives a hint of what it means to *follow Him*.

A Jewish scribe approaches Jesus with *good intentions*.

Jesus states it's not going to be a cake walk to *follow Him*.

Example: His disciples “followed Him” into a *storm*.

Jesus teaches that fear can be overcome *by faith in Him*.

8:28-34 – The awful response of “the whole city” when Jesus healed *the demoniac*.