

BELPRES CHURCH

Sermon Title: Penguins In An Art Museum

Scripture: Matthew 8:5-13

⁵ When Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, asking for help. ⁶ “Lord,” he said, “my servant lies at home paralyzed, suffering terribly.”

⁷ Jesus said to him, “Shall I come and heal him?”

⁸ The centurion replied, “Lord, I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. But just say the word, and my servant will be healed. ⁹ 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.”

¹⁰ 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. ¹¹ 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. ¹² But the subjects of the kingdom will be thrown outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

¹³ 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.

All In Small Group Discussion Questions:

Opening Question:

1. It's been an interesting week, and many of us are weary and tired. How are you doing and how can we pray for each other?

Scripture Reflection Questions: – Read this week’s scripture together and discuss the following

2. Where do you feel stuck with what feels like two bad options? What might Jesus' 3rd way be in that situation?
3. In what ways is Jesus different than what we see in the world? In what ways does he call us to be different?

Closing Question and Application:

4. Given what we’ve discussed together today, how might God want you apply these learnings to your life or in the life of your community this next week? Who might you share this with?