## This Changes Everything The Illusion of Control

Much of the time when we think we have control, it's merely the illusion of it.

- Acknowledge the "illusion of control" in our own lives.
- Learn to trust the One who is truly in control.

When Jesus had finished saying all this to the people who were listening, he entered Capernaum. <sup>2</sup> There a **centurion's servant**, whom his master valued highly, was sick and about to die. <sup>3</sup> The centurion heard of Jesus and **sent some elders of the Jews to him**, asking him to come and heal his servant. <sup>4</sup> When they came to Jesus, they pleaded earnestly with him, "This man deserves to have you do this, <sup>5</sup> because he loves our nation and has built our synagogue." <sup>6</sup> So Jesus went with them.

He was not far from the house when the centurion **sent friends to say to him**: "Lord, don't trouble yourself, for **I do not deserve** to have you come under my roof. <sup>7</sup> That is why I did not even consider myself worthy to come to you. **But say the word, and my servant will be healed.** <sup>8</sup> 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."

<sup>9</sup> When Jesus heard this, **he was amazed** at him, and turning to the crowd following him, he said, **"I tell you, I have not found such great faith even in Israel."** Then the men who had been sent returned to the house and found the servant well. **Luke 7:1-10 (NIV)** 

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- AND THE SIZE OF YOUR GOD WILL DETERMINE THE OUTCOME OF YOUR LIFE!

Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation, <sup>16</sup> for through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can't see—such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> He existed before anything else, and he holds all creation together. Colossians 1:15-17 (NLT)

If you cling to your life, you will lose it, and if you let your life go, you will save it. Luke 17:33 (NLT)

- THE SIZE OF YOUR FAITH IS DETERMINED BY THE SIZE OF YOUR GOD!
- AND THE SIZE OF YOUR GOD WILL DETERMINE THE OUTCOME OF YOUR LIFE!
- Let go of the "illusion of control."
- Learn to trust the One who is truly in control (pssst...it's Jesus).