

There are three observable types of faith among those who followed Jesus for healing.

The First Group

This group consists of people who ensure they see Jesus face-to-face, speak directly with Him, and personally ask Him for healing. If the sick person cannot approach Jesus, they make sure He comes to their home to pray for them. This group demonstrates a faith that surrenders entirely to Jesus, allowing Him to act fully without interference.

This first group is the largest and most visible, even today. These are the believers who, to receive healing or fulfill a need, will seek out God's servants anywhere—be it Nigeria, China, or elsewhere—regardless of cost, just to have their request prayed over. Their faith is strong but often dependent on a mediator.

The Second Group

The second group goes beyond the need for Jesus to physically come to them. They have received a revelation of Jesus' authority and understand that His power transcends physical presence. A biblical example is the centurion in Capernaum:

“When Jesus entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, pleading, ‘Lord, my servant lies at home paralyzed, suffering terribly.’ Jesus said to him, ‘I will come and heal him.’ But the centurion replied, ‘Lord, I am not worthy to have You come under my roof. Just say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I also am a man under authority...’” (Matthew 8:5-9, ESV)

The centurion realized that Jesus, as the Commander of heaven, could command healing even at a distance. He did not need Jesus’ physical presence; a simple word from Him would suffice. Jesus marveled at this faith, noting that even in Israel, He had not found such great faith (Matthew 8:10).

Believers like this today are rare. They carry Jesus in their hearts and pray directly to Him without relying on human intercessors. Their faith is simple, immediate, and powerful—they approach Jesus personally and receive miracles directly.

The Third Group

The third group requires no permission, invitation, or word from

Jesus. They act in faith, quietly yet powerfully, and the results manifest immediately. An example is the woman with the issue of blood for twelve years:

“And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years, and who had spent all she had on physicians and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind Him and touched the fringe of His garment, and immediately her bleeding stopped. Jesus said, ‘Who touched Me?’... Then the woman, seeing she was not hidden, came trembling and fell down before Him and told Him the whole truth. And He said to her, ‘Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace.’” (Luke 8:43-48, ESV)

Here, the woman acted in full faith without needing a formal audience with Jesus. This represents the highest level of faith, sometimes called “perfect faith” (1 Corinthians 13:2). A person with this faith can speak commands in the name of Jesus, and even mountains or challenges obey. They operate in authority granted by Christ Himself, not relying on intermediaries but on the power of His name.

The Path to Perfect Faith

To reach this level, believers must deepen their knowledge and intimacy with Jesus Christ. Colossians 2:3 reminds us:

“In whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.”

By meditating on Jesus’ character and power, faith grows until it becomes spontaneous and authoritative, capable of working miracles by simply invoking His name.

May God grant us this revelation of Jesus Christ, that our faith may be alive, dynamic, and powerful.

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