

## A New Mindset | Matthew 8:5-13

*As we begin a new year, I'm sure we all are glad to get 2020 behind us.*

*The Bible gives us a lot of great content to pull strength from when facing a new season, but when also coming out of a tough one.*

*It gives us a great insight on how we should handle various issues & advice on how we should respond in every situation.*

*Even as we are embarking on a new dawn, a new tomorrow & a new year, the Bible is essential in every circumstance in life of a Christ follower.*

*As we look in the Gospel of Matthew, we see encouragement for things that are out of our control by realizing what IS in our control.*

*JESUS has just completed "The Sermon on the Mount" & encounters a leper who worships HIM.*

*HE cures the man of leprosy & is met by a centurion, an officer in the Roman army.*

### Matthew 8:5-13

*If we want different results in 2021, we have to have "A New Mindset".*

**Romans 12:2 – And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.**

*The centurion set a good example for us to follow.*

*Notice that the centurion sought out JESUS.*

*We need to have that same mentality & develop "A New Mindset" to:*

#### 1. BE LOOKING FOR JESUS

✝ **Matthew 8:5 – And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him,**



*The centurion realized, no matter his rank, he was limited to what he could accomplish & that he had to rely on JESUS.*

*You and I are limited in what WE can accomplish.*

*While the world may think they have the solutions to success or how to solve their problems, we must think differently and have “A New Mindset” to:*

## 2. KNOW OUR LIMITS

✝ Matthew 8:8 – The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.

*Then notice how JESUS responded – the Bible said in Matthew 8:10 that HE “MARVELLED”.*

**Matthew 8:10 – When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.**

*The Strong’s definition is “to wonder” or “to admire”.*

*As part of JESUS’ response, HE encourages a very specific mindset:*

## 3. AS YOU BELIEVE, SO BE IT DONE

✝ Matthew 8:13 – And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.

*In 2021, we need “A New Mindset” & start thinking differently.*



*We must stop listening to the lie of the enemy & listen to promise of the LORD.*

*We must recognize our shortcomings & take them to JESUS.*

**Acts 3:19 – Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;**

*Knowing that faith in JESUS brings forgiveness & peace, puts us in a better “Mindset”.*

*Let’s start 2021 with “A New Mindset” that:*

*As we believe - it will be done.*

*As we believe in getting out of debt - it will be done.*

*As we believe that our relationships will improve - it will be done.*

*As we believe in our physical & mental health - it will be done.*

*As we believe in victories - it will be done.*

*Let’s start thinking differently.*

*Let’s start anticipating GOD’s goodness.*

*Let’s start proclaiming GOD’s promise.*

*Let’s start trusting GOD’s plan.*

*In 2021 – let’s have “A New Mindset & let it be done”.*

