

Jesus uncut: “Will the real Jesus please stand up”

Jesus and faith

Luke 8:40–48

Introduction

A 7:1–10 Centurion's servant healed (disease)
7:11–17 Widow of Nain's son raised (death)
B 7:18–35 John the Baptist's teaching and people's response to Jesus
C 7:36–50 the Sinful woman – *your faith has 'saved' you; go in peace*
B* 8:1–21 Jesus' teaching and people's response to Jesus
A* 8:21–25 Calming of the Storm (disorder)
8:26–39 Healing of demoniac (devil)
D 8:40–42 Jairus' daughter dying
8:43–48 Woman with bleeding – *your faith has 'saved' you; go in peace*
8:49–56 Jairus' daughter dead and raised – *only believe and she will be 'saved'*

1. There is no human need that is beyond Jesus

2. There is no step of faith that is beneath Jesus

Conclusion

- About faith
- About Jesus
- About God

Questions for discussion and reflection:

- What does the woman's interaction with Jesus teach us about Jesus?
- What do we learn about those who will be 'saved' by Jesus?
- How do these two things challenge and encourage you?

Next week: Jesus and the future, Luke 8:49–56, William Taylor.