

Matthew 8 – True Faith

The context of Matthew 8

- Chapters 5-7: 'the sermon on the mount'
- True or false disciples, building houses on rock or sand

Chapters 8-9 – teaching in action: how people are responding to Jesus

Chapter 10: the call for ministry workers

One thing to notice: Jesus' movement in the passage

A second thing: the response.

Part 1 (three healing stories)

- The man with leprosy who fulfils the law
- The centurion's servant whose master had faith
- Peter's mother in law who got up and served
- Summary: the Messiah who took our burdens

The right response (vs 18-23): follow me.

Part 2 (two responses to Jesus)

- Who can control the storm?
- The demons and the pigs

Responding to Jesus

1. The cost of following
2. The need for workers and witness
3. Celebrate kingdom victories.