



All of us have to deal with pain, suffering, and death, and learning how to cope with these things is part of our life.



How we deal with pain, suffering, and death, is based on our understanding and belief about its cause, and what the ultimate remedy for it is.

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**Throughout the Gospels, we
see how Jesus Christ dealt
with pain, suffering, and death.**

¹When He had completed all His discourse in the hearing of the people, He went to Capernaum.



(Luke 7:1)

²And a centurion's slave, who was highly regarded by him, was sick and about to die. ³When he heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders asking Him to come and save the life of his slave.

(Luke 7:2-3)

⁴When they came to Jesus, they earnestly implored Him, saying, “He is worthy for You to grant this to him; ⁵for he loves our nation and it was he who built us our synagogue.”



(Luke 7:4-5)

⁶Now Jesus started on His way with them; and when He was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends, saying to Him, “Lord, do not trouble Yourself further, for I am not worthy for You to come under my roof; ⁷for this reason I did not even consider myself worthy to come to You,”

(Luke 7:6-7a)

“but just say the word, and my servant will be healed. ⁸For I also am a man placed under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to this one, ‘Go!’ and he goes, and to another, ‘Come!’ and he comes, and to my slave, ‘Do this!’ and he does it.”

(Luke 7:7b-8)

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The response of the centurion to Jesus coming to heal his slave showed:

- Recognition of his own **unworthiness** before Jesus
- Recognition of Jesus' **authority** to heal

⁹Now when Jesus heard this, He marveled at him, and turned and said to the crowd that was following Him, “I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such great faith.” ¹⁰When those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.

(Luke 7:9-10)

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Jesus was amazed at the centurion's faith, and responded by healing the sick slave.

11 Soon afterwards He went to a city called Nain; and His disciples were going along with Him, accompanied by a large crowd.

(Luke 7:11)

¹²Now as He approached the gate of the city, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a sizeable crowd from the city was with her.

(Luke 7:12)

13When the Lord saw her, He felt compassion for her, and said to her, "Do not weep."



(Luke 7:13)

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Jesus' felt compassion for the mother that had just lost her only son, and expressed words of comfort to her.

14 And He came up and touched the coffin; and the bearers came to a halt. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise!" 15 The dead man sat up and began to speak. And Jesus gave him back to his mother.

(Luke 7:14-15)

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Out of Jesus' compassion for the mother who lost her son, He gave words of comfort to her, and then commanded the dead son to "arise!"

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Note that it was neither the mother's or the son's faith that brought about this miracle. It was purely Jesus' compassion and authority to heal and even bring back to life the dead.

¹⁶Fear gripped them all, and they began glorifying God, saying, “A great prophet has arisen among us!” and, “God has visited His people!” ¹⁷This report concerning Him went out all over Judea and in all the surrounding district.

(Luke 7:16-17)

***Let him have all your worries
and cares, for he is always
thinking about you and watching
everything that concerns you.***

(1 Peter 5:7; Living Bible Translation)

