light of charges made later about Jesus healing on the Sabbath Day, etc. At this onset of His work, the Lord indicates fidelity to what God has given but does not find himself bound by the traditions of men. There is a difference.

- b. Initial miracles of healing (cf. 4:23-25) 8:5-17
 - (1) the centurion's servant 8:5-13

Note what Jesus ascribes to him in v. 10 and see that he is a Gentile. Note also the character of the disease.

- (2) Peter's wife's mother 8:14-15
- (3) The multitude 8:16
- (4) The fulfilled purpose 8:17

This is an important passage and is often used in difficult ways today. A question is asked concerning it in our initial question section and we will discuss it for a bit in class. It is one of those things where emotion sometimes makes it hard to get the Biblical picture in right perspective.

- c. The call of discipleship 8:18-22
- d. The storm at sea 8:23-27
- e. The casting out of devils 8:28-34
- f. Ministry in His own town 9:1-31

The main ingredients in this portion include the healing of a palsied man with the demonstration of forgiveness of sins, the call of Matthew, the healing of a woman who, in faith, touched the Lord, and the resurrection of the maid as well as the opening of the eyes of the blind.

In the midst (9:14-17) is an apologetic