

## **Jesus the man of the impossible – part 4**

### **The greatest kind of faith – Mark 10:13-16**

**Jesus:** “I tell you the truth, anyone who doesn’t receive the Kingdom of God like a child will never enter it.” Mark 10:15

**Roman Officer:** “Lord, don’t trouble yourself by coming to my home, for I am not worthy of such an honour. <sup>7</sup>I am not even worthy to come and meet you. Just say the word from where you are, and my servant will be healed.” Luke 7:6b-7

“When Jesus heard this, he was amazed. Turning to the crowd that was following him, he said, ‘I tell you, I haven’t seen faith like this in all Israel!’ <sup>10</sup>And when the officer’s friends returned to his house, they found the slave completely healed.” Luke 7:9-10

**Thomas:** “I won’t believe it unless I see the nail wounds in his hands, put my fingers into them, and place my hand into the wound in his side.” John 20:25

**Jesus** told him, “You believe because you have seen me. Blessed are those who believe without seeing me.” John 20:29

**CS Lewis** (Oxford University professor & author of The Chronicles of Narnia)

“You must picture me... night after night, feeling, whenever my mind lifted even for a second from my work, the steady, unrelenting approach of Him (Jesus) whom I so earnestly desired not to meet. That which I greatly feared had at last come upon me. In the Trinity Term of 1929 I gave in, and admitted that God was God, and knelt and prayed: perhaps, that night, the most dejected and reluctant convert in all England.”

**Alexei Navalny**, the former Russian opposition leader, who died on 16 Feb 2024

“If you want I’ll talk to you about God and salvation. I’ll turn up the volume of heartbreak to the maximum, so to speak. The fact is that I am a Christian, which usually rather sets me up as an example for constant ridicule in the Anti-Corruption Foundation, because mostly our people are atheists and I was once quite a militant atheist myself. But now I am a believer, and that helps me a lot in my activities, because everything becomes much, much easier. I think about things less. There are fewer dilemmas in my life, because there is a book in which, in general, it is more or less clearly written what action to take in every situation. It’s not always easy to follow this book, of course, but I am actually trying.”

What/who is your faith in? \_\_\_\_\_