Fulfilling The Prophet Isaiah

Matthew 8:5-17 - (16&17)

Intro:

A. Jesus came to offer Himself to Israel as her king.
   1. John the Baptist had been sent to prepare the way. He preached repentance.
   2. Jesus was identified by John.

B. Jesus did many miraculous acts.
   1. Here, he healed and cast out evil spirits.
   2. These were for a purpose. John 20:30-31
   3. They fulfilled prophecy. Isaiah 53:4

I. The Healing Of The Centurion’s Servant.

A. The illness of the servant. Vs.5-6
   1. centurion = A military officer in the Roman army who had 100 soldiers serving under him.
   2. palsy = παραλυτικός = “paralytic,” “palsied.”
   3. “my son (a servant who had a personal relationship with his owner) is at home desperately ill.”

B. The reply of Jesus. v.7
   1. “I will come and heal him.”
   2. heal = θεραπέω = “to do service”, “to treat them medically.”

C. The reply of the centurion. V.8
   1. worthy = ὀφέλος = “coming to”, “reaching to”, “adequate”
   2. “but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.”
   3. His faith expressed. V.9

D. The response of Jesus.
   1. marveled = θαυμάζω = “to look on with wonder and amazement” v.10
   2. The Gentiles, “east” and “west”. V.11
   3. The Jews will not be its principal executors. They will be in the Millenium, but not as faithful members of a N.T. church but as children of Abraham to fulfill the Abrahamic covenant. V.12
4. The simplicity and power of faith. \textbf{V.13}
5. If the centurion had not believed, Jesus could have healed the servant. He is not limited.

II. The Healing Of Peter's Mother-In-Law.

A. \textbf{Her illness.}
   1. \textit{sick} = \textit{πυρεσσω} = "to be feverish" \textbf{V.14}
   2. "...had been put to bed with a high fever" - Phi

B. \textbf{Jesus healed her. V.15}
   1. \textit{ministered} = \textit{διακόνεω} = "to wait on someone at a table"
   2. "She got up and attended their needs."

III. The Healing Of Many.

A. \textbf{possessed with a devil} = \textit{διαμονιζωμαι} = "to be under the power of a demon." \textbf{V.16}
   1. \textit{word} = \textit{λόγος} = "to spoken word."
   2. \textit{sick} = \textit{ασθένης} = "infirm"

B. \textbf{The prophecy fulfilled. V.17}
   1. \textit{fulfilled} = \textit{πληροω} = "to perform fully"
   2. \textit{infirmities} = \textit{ασθένεια} = "feebleness"
   3. \textit{bare} = \textit{βασταζω} = "to take away," "bear"
   4. \textit{took} = \textit{λαμβανω} = to take away
   5. \textit{sicknesses} = \textit{νοσος} = "confirmed disease"