



LUKE



In THIS passage...

1. What particular sort of thing is Jesus?
2. What particular sort of thing is he after?
3. What particular thing does he find instead?

1. Jesus is a greater prophet than the greatest prophet

2. Jesus (as a prophet does)
is looking for faith

3. Jesus finds abundant
self-righteousness,
but faith is scarce

The Son of God saves through faith,
but faith is the scarcest thing there is.

1. The Son of God is a greater prophet than the greatest prophet.

Luke 7:39

"If this man were a prophet, he would know who is touching him and what kind of woman she is—that she is a sinner."

Luke 7:13-17

When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, "Don't cry." Then he went up and touched the coffin, and those carrying it stood still. He said, "Young man, I say to you, get up!" The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother. They were all filled with awe and praised God. "A great prophet has appeared among us," they said. "God has come to help his people." This news about Jesus spread throughout Judea and the surrounding country.

A Great Prophet



Authority
(Centurion)

Care
(Widow from Nain)

(for what?)

2. Jesus saves through faith.

verse 50 "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

Luke 7:9

"I tell you, I have not found such great faith even in Israel."

Luke 7:50

Jesus said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

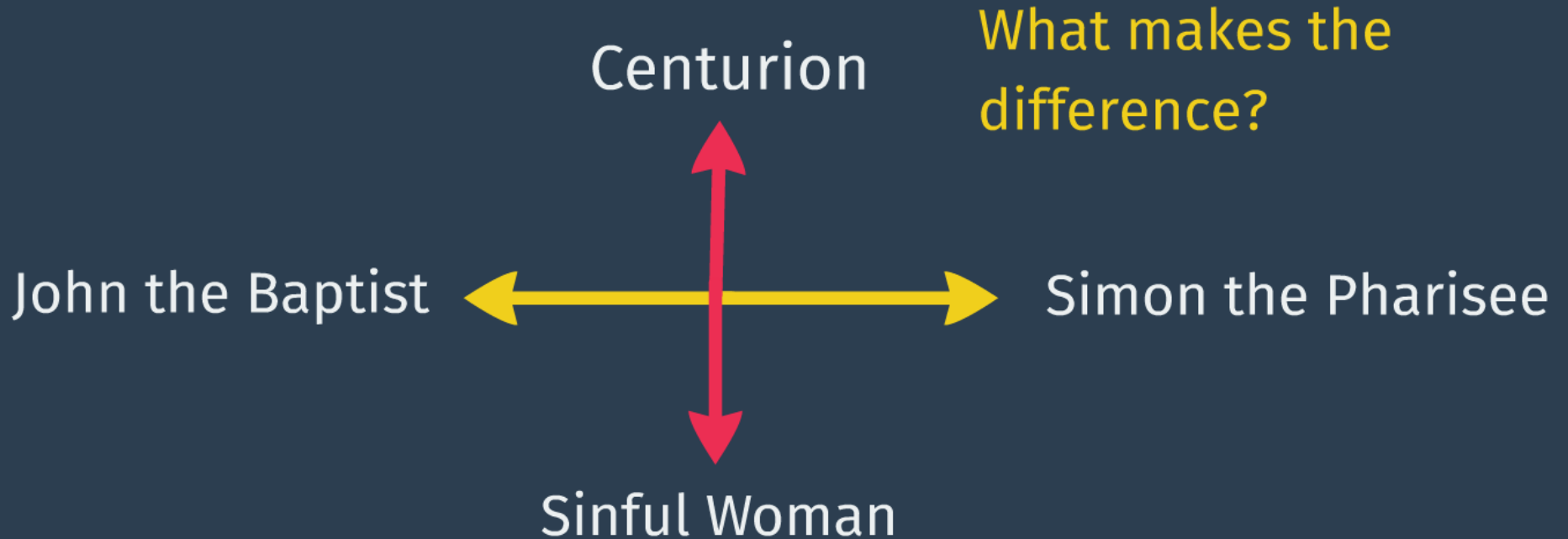
"I'm the best fisherman
in the world."

Or....

"A necessary condition,
isn't a definitive cause."



3. Faith is scarce because of our self-righteousness









What was so remarkable about the sinful woman?
What sets her apart from every other character?

"...the least in the kingdom is greater than he..."