



Resources

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Mark 5:21-35

[21] And when Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. [22] Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet [23] and implored him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live." [24] And he went with him.

And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. [25] And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, [26] and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. [27] She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. [28] For she said, "If I touch even his garments, I will be made well." [29] And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. [30] And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my garments?" [31] And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, 'Who touched me?'" [32] And he looked around to see who had done it. [33] But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. [34] And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

[35] While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?"

Sermon Outline:

- I. The Word of God is powerful to produce a faith that finds its greatest delight in knowing the power and glory of Jesus.

Life Group Leader Notes:





- What were your main takeaways from the sermon this Sunday?
- What is significant about the fact that the woman *heard* the reports of Jesus in verse 27? Why is *hearing* the word about Christ so important? See Romans 10:14-17.
- Stephen said that reading a quick verse of the day on the way to work will not produce a faith that grows. If we want our faith to grow, how should we interact with God's word? (Perhaps someone in the group could share a story of how their faith has grown through a deeper engagement with God's word).
- This sermon was consistent with several other healing messages we have heard recently. Like the leper, paralytic, and tax collector, the woman had been alienated from the life of the community. Have you ever gone through a period of life where you were cut off from community? What was that like? What did God teach you?
- Take a few minutes to consider the OT passages about the garments (Numbers 15:37-41 // Ruth 2:12, 3:9 // 1 Samuel 15:26-29, 24:4-7 // Zechariah 8:23 // Malachi 4:2 // Psalm 36:7, 57:1, 63:7). What is significant about the garment in the OT? How did these texts shine light on the story in Mark 5?
- The woman wanted to remain anonymous, but Jesus stopped the urgent crowd to identify her in the crowd. Have you ever wanted to receive God's blessing without entering into a relationship with him? Why is this?
- In verse 29, the woman was healed as soon as she touched his garment. But the story did not end with her physical healing. Jesus stopped to encounter her because he had more for her. What else did he offer her in verse 34? (Relationship, wholeness, salvation, healing). Have you received these blessings from Christ?
- When the woman touched Jesus' garment, Mark tells us that *power went out of him*. How often do you meditate the great power of Christ? Do you tend to focus on his humility and humanity? Why is it important for us to remember how powerful Christ is?
- In light of this text, how can you pray for one another this week?

