: week 6: jesus the healer - mark 5:21-43

21 When Jesus had again crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake, a large crowd gathered around him while he was by the lake. 22 Then one of the synagogue leaders, named Jairus, came, and when he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet. 23 He pleaded earnestly with him, "My little daughter is dying. Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live." 24 So Jesus went with him.

A large crowd followed and pressed around him. 25 And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years. 26 She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse. 27 When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, 28 because she thought, "If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed." 29 Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering.

30 At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who touched my clothes?"

31 "You see the people crowding against you," his disciples answered, "and yet you can ask, 'Who touched me?' "

32 But Jesus kept looking around to see who had done it. 33 Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth. 34 He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering."

35 While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. "Your daughter is dead," they said. "Why bother the teacher anymore?" 36 Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, "Don't be afraid; just believe."

37 He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James. 38 When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. 39 He went in and said to them, "Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep." 40 But they laughed at him.

After he put them all out, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was. 41 He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum!" (which means "Little girl, I say to you, get up!"). 42 Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished. 43 He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and told them to give her something to eat.

: personal study sheet

DIRECTIONS: Use the questions below to spend time in Scripture, dig deeper into the weekly sermon message, and to worship and pray. Each day, begin with prayer, asking the Holy Spirit to help you learn and apply what you read. Then, read **Mark 5:21-43** and answer the day's questions.

• DAY 1: FOCUS ON PEOPLE AND THEIR NATURAL, WORLDLY TENDENCIES

- How does the concept of Jesus as the Healer resonate with you personally? Share any experiences of praying for healing or witnessing healing in your life or in the lives of others.
- Compare and contrast Jairus and the woman. What lessons do we learn from how they approach Jesus? What distinguishes them from one another? Which of the two do you most relate to, and why?
- Paul shared three outcomes in the reality of healing: being healed, not being healed, or being healed temporarily until death leads to eternal healing in heaven. How does this challenge your ideas about healing?

• DAY 2: FOCUS GOD, JESUS, HIS PLAN AND EXAMPLE

- **Read verse 24**. Jesus goes with us in our pain. How does Jesus' example encourage you? Challenge you?
- **Read verses 30-34**. What question did Jesus ask the crowd and why? How did the woman respond? How did Jesus bless her? What can we learn here about Jesus and about faith?



• **Read verses 35-36**. What news does Jairus receive? Think about how this news affected him, and his response. How did Jesus' words "Don't be afraid; just believe" encourage and challenge him? How might what Jairus just witnessed shape his willingness to trust Jesus in this way?

DAY 3: APPLICATION

- What are some practical ways we can bring our needs for healing (physical, emotional, or spiritual) to Jesus in our daily lives? How can we cultivate a deeper trust in Jesus as our Healer?
- How does the compassion we see in Jesus challenge the way we interact with others? How might you become more like Jesus in your daily interactions?
- How does the promise of eternal healing in heaven shape your perspective on suffering and healing? Consider practical ways you can draw strength from this assurance in your daily life.

DAY 4: WORSHIP AND PRAYER

Use **Psalm 103** in a time of worship and prayer.