Mark 5v21-34 IF I JUST TOUCH HIS CLOTHES





A helpless situation

An intervention by Jesus

A perfect resolution

4v41: Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!

A desperate posture...

5v21-22: 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.

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5v24: So Jesus went with him.



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V25-26: 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.

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V30: At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, "<u>Who touched my</u> <u>clothes</u>?"

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V31: "You see the people crowding against you," his disciples answered, "and yet you can ask, 'Who touched me?'"

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"Faith is the hand that lays hold of the saviour"

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"Wherever there is faith as slender as one strand of a spiders web, there the fulness of redeeming grace is active"

John Murray

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"The experience of many a weary conscience" has been exactly like that of this woman with her disease. Many a man has spent sorrowful years in search of peace with God and failed to find it. He has gone to earthly remedies and obtained no relief. He has wearied himself in going from place to place, and church to church, and has felt after all 'no better only worse'. But at last he has found rest. And where has he found it? He has found it where the woman found hers, in Jesus Christ."

JC Ryle

- Do you realise how powerless you are to do anything about your sin?
- 2) Have YOU reached out to Jesus in genuine faith?

3) How frequently do you dwell on the glorious intervention of Jesus on the cross?