

Series: "THE STRUGGLE IS REAL"
Part 2: "DESPERATION"
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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.

Mark 5:24a-26 (NIV)

The woman was desperate because....

1. She was hurting _____
2. She was hurting _____
3. She was hurting _____
4. She was hurting _____

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.

Mark 5:27-29 (NIV)

4 truths for defeating desperation....

1. For every hurt you have, Jesus is your _____

Evaluation question:

- Am I turning to Jesus first, or as my _____?

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.

Mark 5:30-32 (NIV)

2. In a sea of urgent need, Jesus _____ for _____

Evaluation question:

- Will I trust that I have not been _____?

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."

Mark 5:33-34 (NIV)

3. Reaching out in _____ is essential for _____

Evaluation question:

- Am I merely brushing up _____ Jesus or am I _____ out in faith?

³⁴ He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering."

Mark 5:34 (NIV)

4. _____ is available despite your _____

³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹ neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:38-39 (NIV)

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