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The Story of a Very Helpless Woman

1. The Horror She Endured (vv. 24-26)

Mark 5:24–26, NLT -²⁴ Jesus went with [Jarius], and all the people followed, crowding around him. ²⁵ A woman in the crowd had suffered for twelve years with constant bleeding. ²⁶ She had suffered a great deal from many doctors, and over the years she had spent everything she had to pay them, but she had gotten no better. In fact, she had gotten worse.

- She suffered physically
- She suffered emotionally
- She suffered mentally
- She suffered sexually
- She suffered maternally
- She suffered domestically
- She suffered financially
- She suffered socially
- She suffered spiritually

2. The Hope She Embraced (vv. 27-28)

Mark 5:27–28, NLT -²⁷ She had heard about Jesus, so she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his robe. ²⁸ For she thought to herself, “If I can just touch his robe, I will be healed.”

“Conviction leads to the activity of faith.” – Dr. Paul Apple

3. The Healing She Experienced (vv. 29-34)

Mark 5:29–34, NLT -²⁹ Immediately the bleeding stopped, and she could feel in her body that she had been healed of her terrible condition. ³⁰ Jesus realized at once that healing power had gone out from him, so he turned around in the crowd and asked, “Who touched my robe?” ³¹ His disciples said to him, “Look at this crowd pressing around you. How can you ask, ‘Who touched me?’” ³² But he kept on looking around to see who had done it. ³³ Then the frightened woman, trembling at the realization of what had happened to her, came and fell to her knees in front of him and told him what she had done. ³⁴ And he said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace. Your suffering is over.”

The Lessons from this Very Helpless Woman

- A. What God allows, He redeems.
- B. God still has authority over demons, disease, and death.
- C. We too, can approach Jesus in our suffering.
- D. We too, must push through the “multitudes” in our own minds.
- E. Right now, Jesus is near enough to touch.

“...Oh, that I might touch the hem of His garment.”

– Matt. 14:36, KJV 1900.

Κράσπεδον means a “ceremonial tassel” and represented God’s throne (Blue), Christ’s strips, and of Israel being saved by God from the Egyptians (being close to God).

