

The Ministry of Jesus in Broad Strokes

Luke 8:22-25 Jesus calms a storm – power over the world

Luke 8:26-39 Jesus casts out a demon – power over the devil

Luke 8:40-56 Jesus cures disease and death – power over the flesh

The power of Jesus is personal, costly, and available if you will trust him!

About Jesus

He moves towards both the powerful and excluded

Synagogue ruler vs. an unnamed, bleeding woman

He stops the parade

He is present when you need him

He is never too busy for you

No person is too small for his concern, care, and time

About His Power

Power that spreads

Death or the flow of blood should make Jesus unclean, but instead Jesus stays clean, and they are healed!

Exodus 20:5-6 “For I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me,⁶ but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.”

Power that costs

Luke 8:46 But Jesus said, “Someone touched me, for I perceive that power has gone out from me.”

“When Jesus used his power to redeem people from whatever condition they were in, it cost him something. When he calmed the storm, it cost him something. When he healed the man of a legion of demons, he was drained of the power that left him. Now as he’s on his way to deal with the dying daughter of Jairus; he felt the power drain out of him again. He understood that the exit of strength from His body did not occur willy-nilly, but it only occurred when redeeming power was being used in a saving way.” – RC Sproul

About How His Power Can Work In You

Holding on to faith

Is Jesus a magical object to be touched and receive healing? *Not at all – this is about faith.*

“Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace.”

“Do not fear, only believe, and she will be well”

Twelve-year-old girl, twelve-year flow of blood

Faith alone saves

Ephesians 2:8 “By grace you have been saved **through faith**”

Romans 3:24-25 “...and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, **to be received by faith.**”

Romans 4:3 “For what does the Scripture say? “Abraham **believed God**, and it was counted to him as righteousness.

We must share what God is doing in our lives

A Final Thought: We are going to wake up and eat!

(If we’ve got time at the end of the sermon)

A Deep Connection: Compare this to Abraham and Sarah who laughed.

Questions for Personal Study

1. What do we learn about Jesus’ character and priorities in this passage?
2. Why is it significant that, instead of Jesus becoming unclean, the woman and daughter become clean?
3. Where in the passage do we see the importance of faith for Jairus and the woman? How does the woman’s faith become strength for Jairus?
4. What has God done in your life recently, and who is someone that needs to hear about it?