Luke 8 Pt 5

Jesus: Truth, Goodness, and Beauty

- 1. Parable of the Soils
- 2. Parable of Revealed Light
- 3. Jesus Power over Satan. Delivers the demon possessed man....

vv 40-56 Continue Observing the Compassion of God...

V. Compassion

Matthew 9:36 ...when [Jesus] saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd.

Matthew 14:14 ... when Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them, and healed their sick.

Mark 1:41 [Leper: If You are willing] Then Jesus, moved with compassion, stretched out His hand and touched him, and said to him, "I am willing; be cleansed."

Moved with Compassion gr. *splag-needs-amie* To be moved as to one's bowels. To have the bowels yearn, i.e. [figuratively] feel sympathy, to pity. rt. Spleen. Regarded as the seat of the more violent passions, such as anger and love; but here as the **seat of tender affections, esp. kindness, benevolence, compassion; hence the heart**

The heart of the Father is displayed in all Jesus says/does

Luke 15:20 ...when [the lost son] was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him.

When we see **Jesus heart** we see the heart of the Father

John 5:19 "... the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever [the Father] does, the Son also does in like manner.

Jesus reveals God as a God of Compassion

- **Two examples:** Compassion of God
 - 1. Man with 12-year-old daughter who is dying ...quickly
 - 2. Woman with 12- year illness who is suffering ... slowly
- Both waiting on beach for Jesus. For both **Jesus is their only hope**

40 So it was, when Jesus returned, that the multitude welcomed Him, for they were all **waiting for Him**.

- Scene:
 - 1. **Jesus leaves Gad** after delivering man from demons
 - 2. Crosses lake to Capernaum. Multitudes are waiting...

41 And **behold**, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue. And he fell down at Jesus' feet and begged Him to come to his house, 42 for he had an only daughter about twelve years of age, and she was dying.

- **Behold:** lit. "Check this out!
- Jairus: Synagogue Ruler waiting among multitude

Runs to Jesus. Falls at His feet begging Jesus to heal his 12-year-old daughter She is dying...or is it too late?

Matthew 9:18 [Parallel] ...a ruler came and worshiped Him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay Your hand on her and she will live." 19 So Jesus arose and followed him, and so did His disciples.

Unspeakable Emotional Pain

Mark 5:23 [Parallel] "My little daughter lies at the point of death. Come and lay Your hands on her, that she may be healed, and she will live."

- **Centurion Faith** Just say the word/My servant will be healed
- Jairus' Faith If you come lay Your hands on her/She will live
 - 1. Jairus' world is falling apart
 - 2. Jairus' only hope is Jesus
 - 3. Jairus' is **struggling w/his faith so...**

Jesus the Great Teacher Will use everything that follows as teaching moment...

42b...But as [Jesus] went, the multitudes thronged Him.

Jesus begins walking to Jairus house

Jairus: All is well! He will touch my daughter/She will be okay!

Amazed it was this easy/ Eagerly Anticipating the soon healing of his little girl

Bible teaches the Manifold Grace/Manifold Wisdom/Manifold Work of God God using situations/circumstances for more than one purpose

God's Manifold Grace/Wisdom/Work in life of Joseph

- 1. Jacob's favorite. New Coat. Tells already jealous brothers his dream
- 2. I will rule over all of you. Response? Throw him in a pit far from their home
- 3. Brothers tell their father animal ate Joseph. The pit Egyptian trade route
- 4. Midianites find Joseph in pit take him to Egypt to sell as a slave
- 5. Raised up by Pharaohs official Potiphar. Brought down by his Potiphar's wife
- 6. Now in jail becomes known as interpreter of dreams. Butler/Baker
- 7. After 2 years Pharaoh has a dream/Calls Joseph out of prison.
- 8. 7 yrs. of Famine. Joseph raised up as 2^{nd} Put in charge of grain storage/sales
- 9. Meanwhile Jacob his other 11 sons are in Israel starving...

Genesis 42:1 When Jacob saw that there was grain in Egypt, Jacob said to his sons, "Why do you look at one another?" 2 And he said, "Indeed I have heard that there is grain in Egypt; go down to that place and buy for us there, that we may live and not die."

Jacob ends up with his family [12 Tribes] in Egypt

- All these situations/circumstances for **God's manifold greater purpose**
 - 1. To have Joseph's God-given dream fulfilled as he is raised up in Egypt
 - 2. To have Jacob and other 11 sons to Egypt reunited with Joseph
 - 3. To grow the 12 Tribes/Nation of Israel within Egypt later called out by Moses
 - 4. What Joseph's brothers meant for evil God used for good

Manifold Grace/Manifold Wisdom/Manifold Work Jairus knew exactly how God would work...or did he?

Isaiah 55:8 "For **My thoughts are not your thoughts**, Nor are your ways My ways," says the Lord. 9 "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.

Blessed are those not offended because of Me: My ways/timing

43 **Now a woman**, having a flow of blood for **twelve years**, who had spent all her livelihood on physicians and could not be healed by any, 44 came from behind...

1st Player: Brokenhearted Father. 2nd Player: Woman Bleeding for 12 Years Her suffering began the same year Jairus daughter was born

- Year Jairus was at the height of Joy with newborn girl
- Year Woman began her journey to the depth of despair

Spent all she had on doctors...

The ancient rabbis had many different formulas to help a woman afflicted like this. "Rabbi Jochanan says: 'Take of gum Alexandria, of alum, and of corcus hortensis, the weight of a zuzee each; let them be bruised together and given in wine to the woman that has an issue of blood. But if this fails, Take of Persian onions nine logs, boil them in wine, and give it to her to drink: and say, Arise from thy flux. But should this fail, Set her in a place where two ways meet, and let her hold a cup of wine in her hand; and let somebody come behind and affright her, and say, Arise from thy flux. But should this do no good ...'" [Clarke]

- **Gospel of Mark:** Continued to get worse
- Dr. Luke leaves that out of his gospel

44b... [She] came from behind and touched the border of [Jesus] garment.

Mathew 9:21 ...she said to herself, "If only I may touch His garment, I shall be made well."

As sinful woman in Luke 7...

1. Exhausted/Ashamed

2. Embarrassed/Wounded by Ridicule

3. Ceremonially Unclean...

According to the Jewish ideas of the time, if this woman touched anyone, she imparted her uncleanness to them, an uncleanness that would not allow them to take part in any aspect of Israel's worship. [Guzik]

She's ready to lay it all on the line Woman Sneaks up on Jesus from behind/Touches His robe

44b...And immediately her **flow of blood stopped**.

Mark 5:29 Immediately the fountain of her blood was dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of the affliction.

Luke 18:27 [Jesus] said, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God.

Meagan's fused scull

Woman risks it all in faith/touches Jesus/immediately healed

45 And Jesus said, **"Who touched Me?"**

- Jesus is gazing into the multitude meeting eyes with each person
- No one but one knows why Jesus asked "who touched Me"

Time is running out. Jairus is melting Jesus stops everything...Who touched Me?

45b...When all denied it, Peter and those with him said, "Master, the multitudes throng and press You, and You say, 'Who touched Me?'" 46 But Jesus said, "**Somebody touched Me**, for I perceived power going out from Me."

Mark 5:30 ... Jesus, immediately [knew] in Himself that power had gone out of Him

Jesus is now staring directly into the woman's eyes.

Jesus knew who touched Him...He's been waiting for this day to show her Mercy/Grace

He is fully aware of Jairus anxiety and his thoughts... Why her?

47 Now when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before Him, she declared to Him in the presence of all the people the reason she had touched Him and how she was healed immediately.

Woman knew she was found out. Can't escape Jesus stare...

- Falls down shaking violently Lit. in *dread and terrified*
- Spills her guts to Jesus presence of multitude

- 1. I was bleeding/unclean for 12 years
- 2. When I touched You I was healed

Mark 5:33...came and fell down before Him and told Him the whole truth.

Gives her Testimony

Jairus listening, watching, melting, falling deeper into despair. Jesus continues w/woman...

48 And He said to her, "**Daughter**, be of good cheer; your faith has made you well. Go in peace."

> Daughter be happy. No strings attached. Go in peace. Your faith in Me has made you well

- Multitude thronged/pressed Jesus/were overlooked
- Woman touched Jesus with her faith and was healed

Flesh presses...faith touches ... [Jesus] can always distinguish between the jostle of a curious mob, and the **agonized touch of a needy soul**.

Jesus robe was only a "point of contact" for her faith in Jesus

There were many who touched him out of curiosity, and doubtless some out of want of respect to his person came too close to him, but there was **only one** who touched him with the finger of faith, which was the only **true touch**. Jairus would be watching this scene; Torture to see Jesus stop and heal another [Spurgeon]

Jesus calls the woman **"daughter" on purpose**...for a purpose Jairus wonders why his daughter has been forsaken by God

Jesus will take him down to depths in order to lift him up to heights...

49 While [Jesus] was still speaking, someone came from the ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, "**Your daughter is dead**. Do not trouble the Teacher."

- Words would ravage Jairus. Each word cutting like a dull knife
 - 1. Your-daughter-is-dead
 - 2. Do not bother the teacher any longer
- I was not troubling the teacher
- I was quiet/waiting ...We were on our way!

Did Jesus wait too long?

50 But when Jesus heard it, He answered him, saying, "Do not be afraid; **only** believe, and she will be made well." Seemingly Impossible Faith in an Seemingly Impossible Promise Yet Jairus remembers the woman now healed...Jesus gave him that

- Immediately when Jesus heard the words "she is dead" ...Jesus speaks hope!
- Do not be afraid only believe...and she will be made well

Replace your Fear and Doubt with Courage and Faith Big God. Good God...IOW's...

Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

...the only thing that Jarius had to believe in was Jesus' Word. Everything else told him his daughter was gone forever. This is both the best place to be/the hardest place to be. [Guzik]

Don't fear but believe...She will be made well

51 When [Jesus] came into the house, He permitted no one to go in except **Peter, James, and John**, and the father and mother of the girl.

• Peter, James and John: Also, with Jesus at Transfiguration/Garden of Gethsemane

Often these three are considered the "inner circle" of Jesus' disciples. Couldn't it be just as true that Jesus knew He had to keep a special eye on these three? [Guzik]

52 Now all wept and mourned for her; but He said, "Do not weep; she is not dead, but sleeping."

Not dead but sleeping? God's reality is different than ours

53 And they ridiculed Jesus. [Mocked to scorn], knowing that she was dead. 54 But He put them all outside...

Jesus threw them all out!

• With Jesus: Girls father and mother, Peter, James, and John

54b...[Jesus] took her by the hand and called, saying, "Little girl, arise."

Mark 5:41 [Jesus said to her in Aramaic], "Talitha, cumi," which is translated, "Little girl, I say to you, arise."

God's reality is very different than ours

Romans 4:17 God...gives life to the dead and calls those things which do not exist as though they did...

Jesus speaks life to the dead; Talitha cumi Lit "little lamb...wake up"

55 Then **her spirit returned**, and she arose immediately. And He commanded that she be given something to eat. 56 And her parents were astonished, but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

- Jesus took Jairus down to depths of despair to lift him up to the panicle of faith...
- Unspeakable pain turns to indescribable joy...

Jesus reveals the Father's Heart Entire scene orchestrated by God to reveal His compassion for us

- 12 Years ago the great suffering of the woman began
- 12 Years ago the great joy of Jairus life was born
- Today the woman is healed, and her faith rewarded
- Today Jairus daughter is alive, and his faith grown

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Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to **His purpose**.