

Sunday Sermon Guide

Central Baptist Church – Crockett, Texas

February 8, 2026 – Miracle Moments: Power Over Despair

Main Passage: Matthew 9:18-22 (Mark 5:21-34, Luke 8:40-48)

Main Idea:

When despair leaves no options, and hope seems gone, Jesus reveals Himself as the King whose power responds to genuine faith—bringing life, healing, and restoration where human help ends.

Key Verse

“Have courage, daughter,” He said. “Your faith has saved you.”— Matthew 9:22 (CSB)

Sermon Overview

- Matthew records a **miracle within a miracle**—two desperate people meeting the same powerful King.
- One approaches publicly.
- One reaches out privately.
- Both discover that **faith in the Messiah is never misplaced**.

Sermon Outline

I. Desperate Faith in Public — Jairus (vv. 18–19)

- A synagogue ruler bows before Jesus—an act of worship.
- His desperation leads him to surrender reputation, position, and security.
- Faith is not hedging a bet; faith is going all-in on Christ.

II. Hidden Shame and Courageous Faith — The Woman (vv. 20–21)

- Twelve years of suffering meant ritual uncleanness and isolation.
- She was excluded from worship, community, and normal life.
- She comes quietly, hoping to be healed without being seen.

III. Faith Rooted in God’s Promise (v. 21)

- The hem (or “wings”) of Jesus’ robe points to Messianic prophecy.
- God commanded tassels to remind His people of His Word (Numbers 15).
- Malachi promised healing in the Messiah’s “wings” (Malachi 4:2).
- Her faith was not superstition—it was grounded in Scripture.

IV. The King's Power Restores Completely (v. 22)

- Jesus stops, turns, and calls her “daughter.”
- He restores more than her body—He restores her identity.
- Faith brings healing, peace, and reconciliation.

Key Truths to Remember

- Despair often intensifies in the waiting.
- Faith bows before Jesus—even when it costs everything.
- Faith reaches for Jesus—even when it trembles.
- Delay is not denial, and silence is not absence.
- The King who met them in despair still meets us today.

“Delay is not denial, and silence is not absence.”

“Faith is never wasted when it rests in Jesus.”