

"An invitation to 'Come and See' is an invitation to transformation."

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44 She came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment, and immediately her discharge of blood ceased. 45 And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the crowds surround you and are pressing in on you!" 46 But Jesus said, "Someone touched me, for I perceive that power has gone out from me."

LUKE 8:44-48 ESV

47 And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. 48 And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace."

Touching the PROMISE

LUKE 8

SERMON FOCUS

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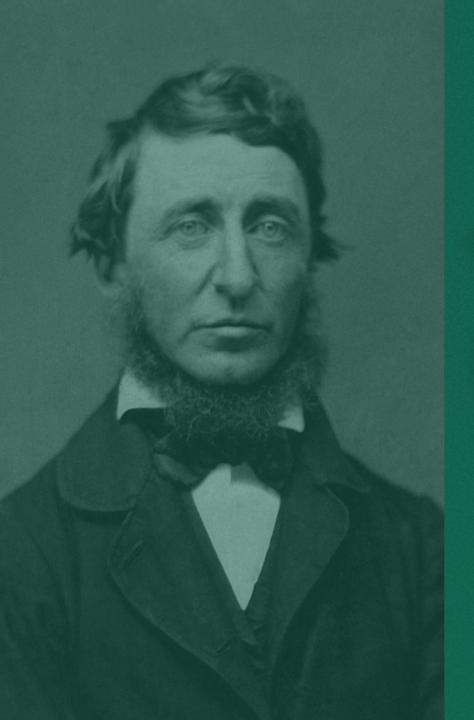
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Epidemic of Pain

- Depression and Anxiety the leading...
- Over 300 million people...
- CDC reports that more than 1 in 5 Americans...



of U.S. adults identify as lonely.



"The mass of men lead lives of quiet desperation."

Her life was unbearable... Until she reached out.



² But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall.

MALACHI 4:2 ESV

She wasn't just touching Jesus' clothes; she was reaching for prophecy.

Healing in the Atonement

Jesus didn't come just to forgive sins; He came to restore what sin destroyed.

Isaiah 53:5 (ESV)

"...by His wounds we are healed."

Matthew 8:17 (ESV)

"He took our illnesses and bore our diseases."

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Point 1:

THE POWER OF REACHING OUT

Faith that waits can miss its moment.

Faith that reaches moves the heart of God.



"Faith is not a feeling. It is movement. It is a reaching when you feel like hiding, a knock when you feel locked out, a cry when silence surrounds you."



"Faith is acting like God is telling the truth."

"So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead."

JAMES 2:17 (ESV)

Point 2:

THE VOICE THAT STILL SPEAKS

Her shame was healed when He called her "Daughter."



"When Jesus speaks into your life, He doesn't just fix the symptoms. He calls out your name, gives you your dignity, and places you back into the story."



"It is not our hold on Christ that saves us, but His hold on us." "Daughter" is a covenantal word.

Hebrews 4:12 (ESV)

"For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart."

Psalm 107:20 (ESV)

"He sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from their destruction."

Isaiah 55:11 (ESV)

"So shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose..."

She was no longer "the woman with the issue of blood," but now she's "Daughter."

Point 3:

THE WHOLENESS BEYOND HEALING

Jesus isn't interested in just stopping your symptoms.

He wants to restore your identity.

Instead of your shame there shall be a double portion; instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in their lot; therefore in their land they shall possess a double portion; they shall have everlasting joy.

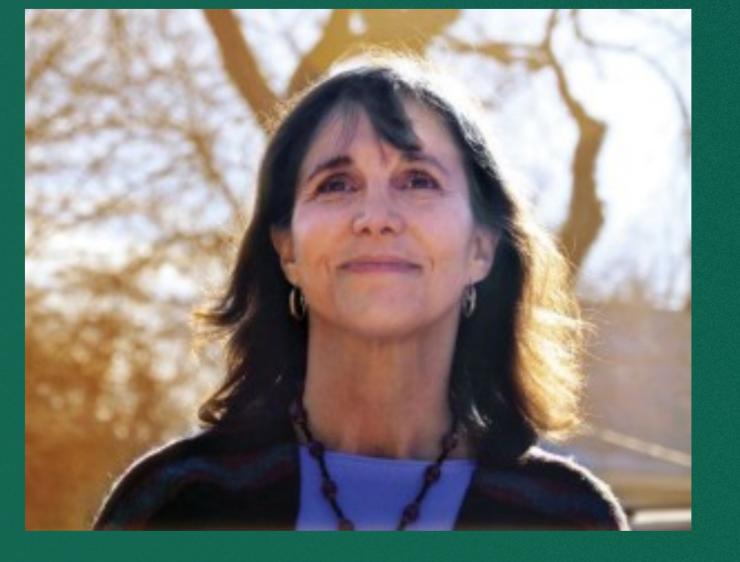
ISAIAH 61 (ESV)

The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

ZEPHANIAH 3:17 (ESV)

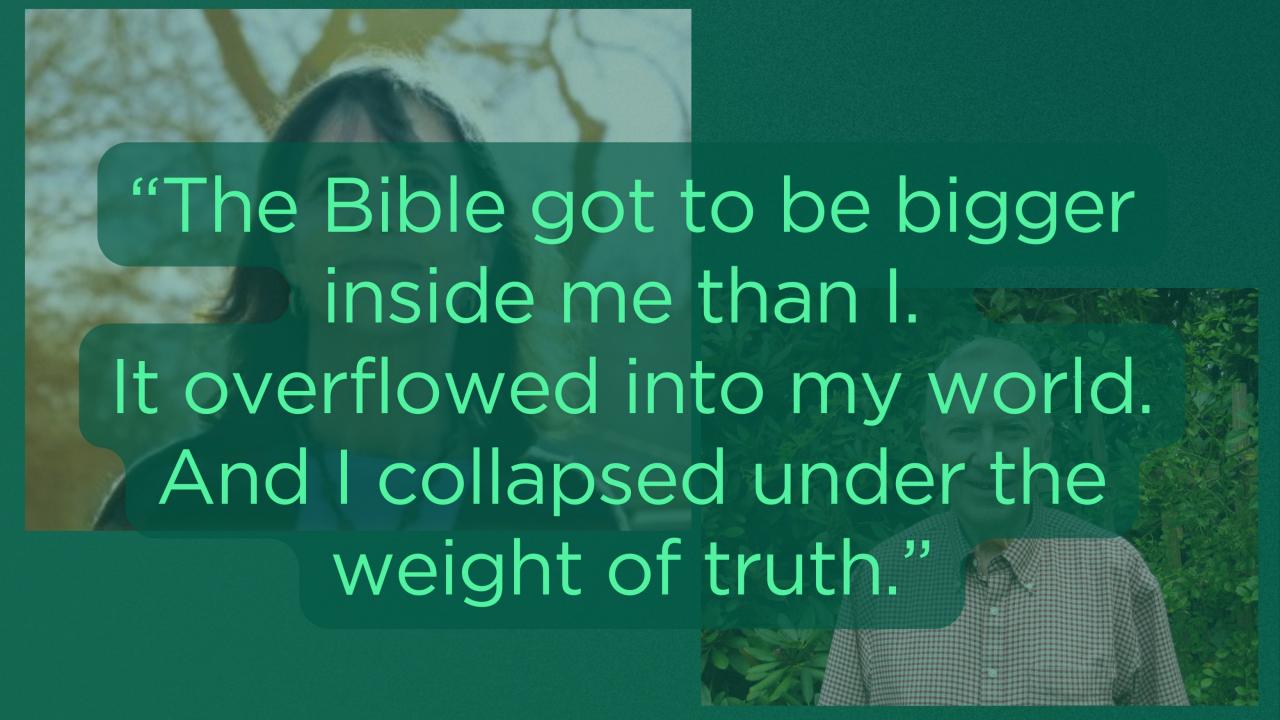
For I will restore health to you, and your wounds I will heal, declares the Lord, because they have called you an outcast: 'It is Zion, for whom no one cares!'

JEREMIAH 30:17 (ESV)











"God calls us to die to ourselves; not to try and sanctify our old identity, but to receive a new one from Him."

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