

**SERMON SERIES:** Encounters: Meets Your Needs

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## Key Line

Rehearse God's faithfulness to you.

## Introduction

If you feel comfortable sharing, tell about a time when you felt desperate. What happened?

## Seek the Word

Read Mark 5:25-39.

- Jairus came and made a request from Jesus. What did he ask of Jesus? (*To heal his daughter*)
- Describe the woman who touched Jesus in the crowd as he moved toward Jairus's house. What was her problem? What drew her to Jesus? (*She had been bleeding for 12 years. She believed Jesus could heal her, even though she had been to every doctor and had done everything she could to stop it.*)
- When Jesus felt her touch him, what did he say? How did the disciples respond? (*He asked who had touched him. He felt the power go out of him. The disciples said, "There are a lot of people around. Everyone is touching you!"*)
- What did Jesus do when the woman told him what she had done? (*He healed her.*) What happened while they were on the way to Jairus's house? (*Jairus's daughter died.*)
- What did Jesus say to Jairus when they found out that his daughter had already died? (*He said, "don't be afraid. Just believe."*)
- When they arrived at Jairus's house, they found people mourning the death of his daughter. What did Jesus do? (*He told them that the girl was not dead but asleep. He sent them all out except the parents, and he took her by the hand and told her to get up.*)
- What did the girl do? (*She stood up and walked around.*)

## Talk About It

- When we pray to God, we often want saved from something. We want to get out of a hard time. When God answers our prayers, he often answers by going through something with us, not saving us from it. Give examples from the Bible where God went through a hard time with someone. (*Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego, Abraham, the Israelites in the desert*)
- Share a time when you or someone you knew went through something difficult and knew that God was going through it with you. How did you know?
- Read Romans 8:28. How do you feel reading this verse?