

**Miracles of Jesus: The Women with the Issue of the Blood**  
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**A 5-Day Bible Reading Plan and Devotional Guide**

**Day 1: Seen in Your Suffering**

Reading: Psalm 34:15-22

Devotional: Twelve years is a long time to carry pain without resolution. The woman in Mark 5 knew what it meant to wake each morning to the same condition, the same limitations, and the same unanswered questions. Yet her suffering had not removed her from Christ's sight. Psalm 34 declares that God's eyes are upon the righteous and His ears are open to their cry. The duration of your struggle is not evidence of His indifference. Prolonged suffering can tempt us to measure God's concern by the length of our waiting. Resist that conclusion. The Lord is near to the brokenhearted, not distant from them.

Personal Reflection: What has your suffering tempted you to believe about God's attention toward you? Write down one specific lie prolonged difficulty has whispered and set it beside what Psalm 34 declares to be true.

**Day 2: Faith That Moves Through Obstacles**

Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16 and Hebrews 11:1-6

Devotional: The woman in Mark 5 heard about Jesus, and that hearing produced movement. She did not wait until her circumstances improved, her strength returned, or her confidence was certain. She came through the crowd, through her weakness, and through years of accumulated disappointment. Hebrews 4 reminds us that we have a High Priest who sympathizes with our weakness and invites us to approach the throne of grace boldly. Biblical faith does not deny pain or guarantee a specific outcome. It moves toward Jesus with empty hands, trusting that the One who invites us near possesses what we cannot provide for ourselves.

Personal Reflection: What obstacle has been keeping you from approaching Jesus honestly? Name it specifically. Has it been disappointment, shame, fear of another unanswered prayer, or something else entirely?

**Day 3: The God Who Stops**

Reading: Luke 15:1-7 and Mark 5:30-34

Devotional: Jesus was already going somewhere urgent when He stopped. A dying child was waiting. A desperate father was watching every second pass. Yet when one trembling woman touched the edge of His garment, Jesus turned around in the crowd and asked who had touched Him. The crowd saw an interruption. Jesus saw a person. Luke 15 reveals the same posture in the parable of the lost sheep: the shepherd leaves the ninety-nine to find the one. You are never merely one face within a pressing crowd to Jesus. He is not so occupied with the next urgent matter that He cannot stop, turn, and address you by name.

Personal Reflection: Have you ever felt that your need was too small, too familiar, or too complicated to deserve Christ's full attention? Where did that belief originate, and how does today's reading challenge it?

#### **Day 4: Daughter, Not Diagnosis**

Reading: Romans 8:14-17 and Galatians 4:4-7

Devotional: The crowd knew the woman in Mark 5 by her condition. She was defined by her suffering, her uncleanness, her twelve years of failure to recover. When Jesus finally addressed her, He did not call her by her diagnosis. He called her Daughter. That single word changed everything. It moved her from the margins of belonging to the center of relationship. Romans 8 and Galatians 4 declare that everyone who trusts in Christ receives the Spirit of adoption, by whom we cry out to God as Father. Your suffering is something you carry. It is not your name. Your grief, your diagnosis, your shame, and your unanswered questions do not define your identity before God.

Personal Reflection: What label has suffering, failure, or circumstance attached to your sense of self? Write it down. Then write beside it the identity Scripture declares over everyone who belongs to Christ.

#### **Day 5: The Healer and the Hope That Holds**

Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 and Revelation 21:1-5

Devotional: Faith does not guarantee the present outcome we desire. Paul prayed three times for his thorn to be removed, and God did not remove it. Instead, God promised sustaining grace sufficient for the weakness Paul could not escape. Yet Revelation 21 declares that a day is coming when God Himself will wipe away every tear, when death, mourning, crying, and pain will be no more. The woman in Mark 5 received immediate healing. Paul received sustaining grace while suffering continued. Both were held by the same faithful God. Our faith rests not in a formula that produces our preferred outcome, but in the crucified and risen Savior whose final word over suffering is resurrection.

Personal Reflection: Are you currently in a season where God seems to be offering sustaining grace rather than immediate deliverance? How does Revelation 21 reframe the meaning of that season without dismissing the reality of your pain?