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TRUSTING GOD WHEN THERE IS BIG RISK

TRUSTING GOD IS TAKING RISKS DESPITE THE PAIN.

²¹ Jesus got into the boat again and went back to the other side of the lake, where a large crowd gathered around him on the shore. ²² Then a leader of the local synagogue, whose name was Jairus, arrived. When he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet, ²³ pleading fervently with him. “My little daughter is dying,” he said. “Please come and lay your hands on her; heal her so she can live.” ²⁴ Jesus went with him, and all the people followed, crowding around him. ²⁵ A woman in the crowd had suffered for twelve years with constant bleeding. ²⁶ She had suffered a great deal from many doctors, and over the years she had spent everything she had to pay them, but she had gotten no better. In fact, she had gotten worse. ²⁷ She had heard about Jesus, so she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his robe. ²⁸ For she thought to herself, “If I can just touch his robe, I will be healed.” ²⁹ Immediately the bleeding stopped, and she could feel in her body that she had been healed of her terrible condition. ³⁰ Jesus realized at once that healing power had gone out from him, so he turned around in the crowd and asked, “Who touched my robe?” ³¹ His disciples said to him, “Look at this crowd pressing around you. How can you ask, ‘Who touched me?’” ³² But he kept on looking around to see who had done it. ³³ Then the frightened woman, trembling at the realization of what had happened to her, came and fell to her knees in front of him and told him what she had done. ³⁴ And he said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace. Your suffering is over.” **Mark 5:21-34 NLT**

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years she had spent everything she had to pay them, but she had gotten no better. In fact, she had gotten worse. **Mark 5:25-26 NLT**

- **She was battling physical issues and desired healing.**
- **She was battling possible abuse and needed emotional healing.**
- **She was battling relational pain and needed acceptance.**
- **She was in a spiritual battle and needed God’s peace.**
- **She was broke and needed God’s provision.**

²⁷ She had heard about Jesus, so she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his robe. ²⁸ For she thought to herself, “If I can just touch his robe, I will be healed.” **Mark 5:27-28 NLT**

- **She had heard about Jesus.**

⁸ In fact, it says, “The message is very close at hand; it is on your lips and in your heart.” And that message is the very message about faith that we preach: ⁹ If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved. ¹¹ As the Scriptures tell us, “Anyone who trusts in him will never be disgraced.” ¹² Jew and Gentile are the same in this respect. They have the same Lord, who gives generously to all who call on him. ¹³ For “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” ¹⁴ But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them? ¹⁵ And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent? That is why the Scriptures say, “How beautiful are the feet of messengers who bring good news!” **Romans 10:8-15 NLT**

- **She was willing to risk it all because she believed in Jesus.**
- **She was willing to risk the crowd’s rejection once more for needed healing.**

WHAT ARE WE WILLING TO RISK BECAUSE WE HAVE HEARD ABOUT JESUS?

- **A Saturday morning to pray.**

WHO HAS HEARD ABOUT JESUS BECAUSE OF YOU?

- **Family?**
- **Friends?**
- **Neighbors?**
- **Coworkers?**

The Great Commission

¹⁸ Jesus came and told his disciples, “I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. ²⁰ Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And

be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” **Matthew 28:18-20 NLT**

⁶ *Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.”* **John 14:6 NLT**

WHO WILL HEAR ABOUT JESUS BECAUSE OF YOU?