

Power Had Gone Out (revised)
(Woman with the Issue of Blood)

I. Introduction

- A. III. A college student was taking his final exam in Zoology 101.
1. He had not studied b/c he thought it would be a breeze.
 2. However, when the test was passed out, it was the picture of the legs of bird (no bodies).
 3. He had to give the name of the bird based solely on the picture of its leg.
 4. In growing frustration he stared at the test for over an hour.
 5. In anger, he walked up to the professors desk and threw the test down in front of him.
 6. "This is the worst test I have ever taken."
 7. Prof: "Young man, you have failed this test. What is your name?"
 8. The student pulled up his pant leg, showed it to the professor and said: "I don't know, you tell me!"
- B. There's a whole lot of ppl who have never identified their most significant need.

II. Scripture: Mark 5:22-34

- A. After Matthew and before Luke in the NT.

III. A Woman in Trouble

- A. v. 26 says it all:
1. "having a blood flow" (menstrual uncleanness) (restricted from temple; social outcast)
 2. *Suffered* from many doctors (experimentation; "practicing medicine")
 3. Exhausted all her wealth/money (now at a place of poverty)
 4. Had not improved (sick of being sick; discouragement)
 5. Slowly getting worse (gradual decline)
- B. Losing hope quickly: despair.
1. You have neighbors who are in this position.
 2. ...family. ...co-workers.
 3. ...friends. ...hopeless.
 4. ...discouraged.
 5. **Pastoral Pause:** Tried everything... but Jesus.
- C. **Note:** Look what she does though!
- D. v. 27- "She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment."
1. **Heard** the reports/ Word
 2. **Came** (observed)
 3. **Touched** (reached out)
- E. **Pastoral Pause:** Be a

"reporter" of what Jesus is doing.

- F. **Point:** If you listen/read the Word long enough it will bring you to a point that you will either accept or reject Jesus.
1. When she touched Jesus, 12 years of infirmity and misery, depression, fatigue, bleeding, loss, decline, and disease came to an end! (Instantly v 29)
 2. **Note:** There are some things God wants to do in your life right now!
- G. Then Jesus wants to know **who touched Him.**
1. He knew power had gone out!
 2. He knew someone had received something from Him.
- H. The disciples= you're in a crowd Jesus!?! (everyone is touching you)
- I. **Note:** Not everyone around Jesus touches Him like the woman touched Him.
1. Not everyone reaches out in faith.
 2. Not everyone is desperate enough.
 3. Some don't even make it through the crowds!
- III. Jesus and the Woman
- A. **Note:** Being a disciple of Christ is not only

receiving.

- B. Jesus wants to do more than dispatch a miracle.
1. More than let a power bolt out.
 2. Jesus wants to encounter a person whom He loves!
 3. Note **the danger** of hearing and coming w/out touching!
- C. **Point:** In the Kingdom of God, **miracles lead to meetings!**
- D. **Point:** Being a Christian is not about getting our perceived needs met; it is being in the presence of Jesus, being known by him, and following him.
- IV. Jesus is Healing!
- A. v.33 The woman knew what had happened.
1. She knew something was different.
 2. There was an assurance of a life change.
 3. She fell at His feet!
- B. v. 34: "Daughter your faith has made you *well!*"
1. Spoken hebrew/aramaic word is: *yashaw*
 2. It can mean 'to heal' or 'to save' depending upon context.
 3. Same root word as Jesus' name '*yeshua.*'
- C. **Point:** In a way that the woman could not fully

know, her desire for healing was really a desire for Jesus!

1. And Jesus was the real healing for her.
2. Jesus cannot be separated from the wholeness of life in Him!

V. Conclusion

- A. There are ppl in the world today like this woman!
- B. They are in a place where many of us use to be.
- C. They are *searching for answers*, healing, wholeness, joy, peace, etc.
- D. **Note:** I'll leave you with Jesus words to the woman: "Go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

Response:

v 26- Tried everything else.
Psychologists.

v 27- Heard the reports
(testimonies)

v 28- one touch

v 29- Immediately!!

v 30- Power had gone out!!

v 33- The woman "knowing"
PTL!