MARK: 'Cause You Gotta Have Faith **5.4.08**

21 And when Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him,
and he was beside the sea. 22 Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing
him, he fell at his feet 23 and implored him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter is at the point of
death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live." 24 And he went with
him. And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him.
25 And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, 26 and who had
suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather
grew worse. 27 She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and
touched his garment. 28 For she said, "If I touch even his garments, I will be made well."29 And
immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease.
30 And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in
the crowd and said, "Who touched my garments?" 31 And his disciples said to him, "You see the
crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, 'Who touched me?'" 32 And he looked around to see who
had done it. 33 But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and
fell down before him and told him the whole truth. 34 And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has
made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."
35 While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, "Your daughter is
dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?" 36 But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler
of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." 37 And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter
and James and John the brother of James. 38 They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and
Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. 39 And when he had entered, he said to
them, "Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping." 40 And
they laughed at him. But he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those
who were with him and went in where the child was.
41 Taking her by the hand he said to her, "Talitha cumi," which means, "Little girl, I say to you,
arise." 42 And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and
they were immediately overcome with amazement. 43 And he strictly charged them that no one should
know this, and told them to give her something to eat.
Mark 5:21-43 ESV

Two Lessons that Jesus is teaching here.

The 1st Lesson: The Basics

v. 34-*"Daughter, your faith has made you well..."*

Lesson: You must have faith to connect to Jesus.

P: To have this faith you must be desperate.

"a discharge of blood for twelve years" Isolated. Unclean. Marginalized.
"suffered much" She is tired of being healed.
"many physicians…spent all she had" She was once wealthy.
"but rather worse" The end of her rope.

P: To have this faith you must seek understanding.

"She had heard the reports" She knew what Christ had done.
Faith never asks you to check reason at the door.

P: To have this faith you must center recognize, it is not the strength of your faith, but the object of your faith.

"If I touch his garments…" She was looking for something magical.
This isn't a strong faith, but a directional faith.
"your faith has made you well" Her faith directed at Christ.

P: To have this faith you must have a substitute.

v. 30-"perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him"
This never occurs in any of his other miracles.
It serves as a foretaste for Christ, and a foreshadowing for us.
2nd Corinthians 5:21- "For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."

The 2nd Lesson: The Advanced Class

v. 40-"he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him."

Lesson: Learning from this faith can make you like Jesus.

P: He delays to show he is the God of Grace.

"a woman who had had a discharge of blood"
"one of the rulers of the synagogue" Jesus shows his love, his priorities, and his grace.
Application: The faithful follower must have a servant's heart.

P: He delays to show he is the God of All Wisdom.

"35 While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, 'Your daughter dead…'" She is healed and his daughter dies. God's love is completely compatible with our suffering.
Application: The faithful follower must have faith in God, not his/her agenda for God.

P: He doesn't just want followers, He wants intimacy.

"Talitha cumi" He calls her like a mother beacons her child.
Application: The faithful follower seeks intimacy with God.

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