

Nurturing Faith... Every Day in Every Way



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Lamentations 3:22-33

Psalm 30 (1)

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Mark 5:21-43



There Is Power in a Touch

Object: Gather objects that are soft, smooth, rough, bumpy, etc.

All of us have five senses to give us information about the world around us. If I were to hold up a ball and ask you what it was, you would identify it by using your sense of sight. If I were to ring a bell and ask you what it was, you would identify it by using your sense of hearing. If I put a flower under your nose and ask you to tell me what it was, you would know what it was by its smell. If I gave you a sip of lemonade, you would know right away what it was because of its taste.

There is one of the five senses that I have not mentioned. It is the sense of touch. The sense of touch is very important. We can often tell what an object is by its size, shape, and texture -- all of which can be learned by using our sense of touch. This morning I want to tell you about a woman who experienced the power of Jesus -- just by touching him.

One day Jesus was walking through a large crowd of people. There was a woman in the crowd who had been bleeding for twelve years. She had been to many doctors, but none had been able to help her. She had heard about Jesus and she believed that he could heal her.

The woman thought to herself, "If I could just get close enough to touch his robe, I would be healed." So, she pushed through the crowd and reached out and touched Jesus' clothes. Her bleeding stopped immediately, and her suffering was ended.

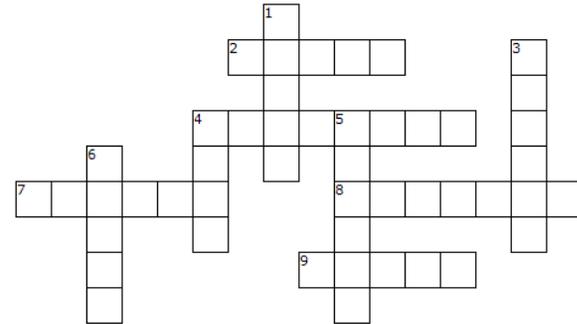
The Bible tells us that as soon as the woman touched him, Jesus felt the power go out of him. He turned to the woman and said, "Your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be free from your suffering."

Dear Jesus, we long to reach out and touch you and to feel your power in our life. Amen.

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Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia. Our Savior Jesus Christ has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Alleluia. (2 Tim. 1:10)

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

2. To put the fingers lightly on something
4. Losing blood from a cut or a sore
7. To be cured or restored to health
8. The things you wear to cover your body
9. A human adult female

DOWN

1. Physical strength or force
3. To experience physical or mental pain
4. The main, physical part of a person
5. A person who treats people who are sick or injured
6. To believe in something you cannot see

FAITH	BLEEDING	SUFFER	BODY	WOMAN
DOCTOR	HEALED	CLOTHES	TOUCH	POWER

HAND WREATH: Give the child different sheets of construction paper to trace their hand and cut out about 10 hands that have been traced. Glue the hands around the edges of a white paper plate. The child can then write REACH OUT TO JESUS on the inside part of the plate. Punch a hole in the top of the plate, insert a ribbon, and hang the plate in the child's bedroom.



MARKE 5:28

