



Lesson Titles:
A Healing Touch
(Faith Pathway)
Healed by Faith
(Townsend Press Sunday School
Commentary)

LESSON 3 – June 20, 2021

Summer 2021 Theme:

Confident Hope

Unit I: Jesus Teaches about Faith

DEVOTIONAL READING: Proverbs 3:1-8

BACKGROUND SCRIPTURES: Matthew 9:18-26; Mark
5:21-43; Luke 8:40-56

PRINT PASSAGE: Matthew 9:18-26

Key Verse(s):

Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour. (Matthew 9:22, KJV)

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Jesus turned and saw her. “Take heart, daughter,” he said, “your faith has healed you.” And the woman was healed at that moment. (Matthew 9:22, NIV)

Questions to Consider:

1. Why did the ruler of the local synagogue seek Jesus?
2. Why was the woman in this lesson so determined to get to Jesus?
3. What was the common thread that connected both of the miracles in this week’s lesson?

Lesson Context:

- In this week’s lesson, Jesus raised a twelve-year-old daughter of a certain leader from the dead and healed a woman who had an incurable blood condition for twelve years.
- The leader referred to in this lesson text is Jairus, a leading member of the community and a leader in the local synagogue.
- The woman in this lesson is an unnamed woman, often referred to as “the woman with the issue of blood.”

Lesson Aims

As a result of experiencing this lesson, you should be able to do these things:

- Examine the nature of the faith involved in the healings of the woman and the girl in this passage.
- Sense the power of God to bring life and healing to your loved ones.
- Rejoice in the healing power of God as manifested in your own life.

LESSON OUTLINES/KEY POINTS:

- I. **By Faith Go to Jesus (Matthew 9:18-19)**

Key Point 1: A desperate request is made to Jesus by a certain ruler.

Key Point 2: The synagogue leader displayed an exemplary level of faith in the Lord's power to transform his situation.

II. By Faith Reach for Jesus (Matthew 9:20-22)

Key Point 1: A woman with an affliction was determined to get to Jesus, believing that He could make her well.

Key Point 2: Jesus healed and showed compassion to a woman who demonstrated strong and bold faith.

III. By Faith Trust in Jesus (Matthew 9:23-26)

Key Point 1: After healing the woman with the issue of blood, Jesus continued in the processional toward Jairus's house.

Key Point 2: Jesus demonstrated His authority over death.

Lesson Summary:

- In this week's lesson, Jesus demonstrated power and authority over sickness and death.
- God has the power over life, death and healing.
- Jesus is still touching lives and transforming desperate situations today.
- God responds to those who approach Him by faith.
- Strong faith invited the healing touch of Jesus to intervene and heal the woman with the issue of blood and to respond to Jairus' request for his daughter.

What Do You Think?

(These questions are found in this week's Faith Pathway student book.)

1. Describe a time when you faced a desperate challenge that only the Lord could handle. How did you respond?
2. Share a time when you went to extreme lengths to get closer to Jesus. How did it make you feel? What was the outcome?
3. Share a time when all seemed lost and you trusted in Jesus against the odds. What is the greatest challenge of persevering in faith while you are surrounded by others' doubt?

As a result of this lesson, I will do the following:
