



June 2021

Dear Partner,

Well, summer is here and if you want to know how hot a summer can get...well, just come to New Orleans. Every year I say it because every year it's true: this place is Africa-hot! And there's the added bonus of sky-high humidity, too. It gets rough! I joke about it but, really, I've gotten pretty used to it after all these years. Like everything in life, there's a season. Time is always passing and that's good news because it means that every day is an opportunity to have faith and to grow. I hope that this letter encourages you to take today's opportunity to ask God for the things that you want from Him.

The Faith and Tenacity of the Widow, The Faith and Tenacity of the Woman with the Issue of Blood

Our theme for 2021 is *"What shall I do for thee?"* and as you might remember, it's taken from a scene in the Bible in 2 Kings 4:2 where the prophet Elisha asks the widow woman what she wants. She needed a miracle in her life. Elisha knew it, and yet he wanted her to answer that question—to get it straight in her own mind and heart so she could believe for it in faith.

The widow woman received her miracle but, Partner, when I read those six words in verse 2—*"What shall I do for thee?"*—my spirit leaped and God said to me, "That is the theme for 2021." You see, the miracle-working power of faith in God still works today. Then, God said, "Write to your Partners and tell them to ask of Me, 'What shall I do for them?' And that goes for you too, Jesse." So, all this year, I've been sharing scenes from the Bible that revolve around making our requests known to God—with full faith, knowing that He can make whatever we desire come to pass...because He can!

Today, I want to go to yet another scene in the Bible where Jesus grants a person what they desired. It's found in Matthew 9:21-22. This is the story of the woman with the issue of blood. She enters Jesus' life and says these now famous words in verse 21: *"If I may but touch His garment, I shall be whole."* Notice her faith in that verse. Notice her tenacity. It's very similar to the widow who needed a miracle from Elisha. So, the first point I want to make today is this: **Faith and tenacity will get what you want and need from God.**

When the woman with the issue of blood goes out among the crowds to see Jesus, she already knows in her mind and heart that if she can just touch His garment, she will receive her miracle. She makes her way, touches Him, and I love what Jesus does and says in response to her in verse 22: *"But 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."* Wow, now that's a miracle! We can learn a lot about how miracles work just by paying attention to what Jesus said to that woman.

What Made the Woman Whole—Her Finger or Her Faith?

She Had Enough Faith for Miracles and You Do, Too

The second point I want to make today is this: **God always requires faith to work miracles in your life.** Partner, never forget that. Even your imperfect faith brings with it a blessing—you don't need to be perfect to receive. You just need to have both your heart and mind in alignment with your faith and believe that you receive what you ask of Him.

Can God do what you desire? Do you believe He will do it for you? Do you look at your circumstances and see impossibility and give up? Or do you acknowledge that your circumstances will bend to the will of your faith and the power of God in your life? These kinds of questions help you to assess yourself so you can be more like the woman with the issue of blood—a woman who knew she was considered unclean and that it was not right to touch Jesus according to the law, and yet did not put her circumstances above her desire.

The woman with the issue of blood had an earnest heart. Her mind was fixed on what she wanted from the Lord. Her faith demanded that she get up, go out, and touch the hem of His garment. Her circumstances dictated she should stay home—that is what everyone would have told her to do. Thank God, she didn't listen! This woman's faith made a demand on the power of Jesus, and she got what she desired. You see, real faith will make a demand on both you and God—it will propel you toward a single focus and move you forward with a knowing in your mind and heart.

What made the woman whole? Was it her finger? Was it the touch? Jesus did not say it was either one. Partner, I really want you to get that it was her **faith**, not her finger, that made her whole. It was her faith in the Lord's power. Also, notice that she was not just healed, but she was made *whole*. After that moment, whatever damage that had occurred during those 12 years of sickness was now gone. She wasn't just a woman who was no longer bleeding; she was back to a perfect state of health, as if the sickness had never touched her body. Glory! That means she had enough faith for miracles—because getting healed was a miracle in and of itself, but being made *whole* was taking it up a level and a whole other miracle!

Faith is not difficult. It doesn't take that much to get what you desire. Jesus taught in Matthew 17:20 that faith the size of a mustard seed can move a mountain. So how much does it take to get healed, out of debt, your family saved, or a new job with better pay? The teaching of Jesus about mustard-seed faith shows us that what we believe matters and that when our heart and mind are aligned with God's Word and ways, we have something within us that can break natural law. That something is called faith. It's a force of spiritual energy that can turn impossibilities into realities in our life.

Partner, I want you to know today that you have enough faith to work. Jesus taught in Matthew 18:19 that if just *two* of us agree on this earth concerning anything that we may *ask*, it will be done for us by God in Heaven—but we must have faith both when agree and when we ask. It takes Christ to do the work, and it takes us to agree with it.

You Are Not Alone, and Nothing Is Impossible with God

Let God Change Your View of What Faith Can Do

The third point I want to make today is this: **Miracles are born out of a sense of supreme need, plus the awareness and the trust that the Lord is *always* with us.** He doesn't leave us. He doesn't forsake us. Miraculous power comes to a person when they suddenly know that supernatural spiritual strength is available and all they have to do is believe it. Glory! Nothing is impossible, Partner, and I mean nothing!

Sometimes I look at this ministry God has given me and am reminded that everything we are doing far exceeds what I can do. It takes millions (not million!) to do this work. The larger our reach, the more money it takes—and I'm not capable of producing what it takes, but God is fully capable! In 1978, on a road in front of an airport, God gave me one of the greatest statements. It changed my whole way of thinking about my ministry concerning the money needed to function and grow. I was struggling in my

mind about how to pay for something, and God told me, “**Jesse, I didn’t ask you to pay for it. I asked you to believe for it.**”

Partner, that statement changed my whole way of thinking about budgets, bills, needs, desires, and wants—it changed the way I view the goals we set for this ministry. It helped me so much. I hope it helps you too, because when you get a revelation about the power of your faith, it will relieve you of the pressure of trying to do it all on your own. You’ll see that your part isn’t to worry. Your part isn’t to fret. Your part isn’t to complain or wish. Your part is to have faith that God can do whatever you have the faith and guts to believe.

In my 45 years of preaching (43 years of full-time ministry), this ministry has not had a financial deficit one time. Now, that’s amazing! That’s what God has done for this ministry and for me and Cathy, too—but it would not have happened if I didn’t hold to my faith. Problems come. Curve balls are thrown our way. Life happens! That doesn’t change my belief, though. I hold to my faith in God and roll through those things. My faith lifts me above the turbulence in my mind and it sets my course. I don’t care what the world says I can’t do. If God has placed something in my heart, then I don’t have to *make it* happen—I have to *believe it* will happen. I do things in the natural, of course. I do my part, but the biggest part of any faith project is the faith I exert to do it.

Back when I was beginning this ministry and thinking about the vision and all the outreaches God was putting on my heart to do, I remember Him telling me, “Jesse, I will give you Partners that understand the vision and they will not falter in their giving, nor will they fail in praying for you and Cathy and the ministry.” Partner, you have done that. I personally believe God is pleased with you for it. You are my “two,” and I so appreciate you being in agreement with this vision of reaching people and changing lives, one soul at a time.

Determine to Connect and Cooperate with God

Your Faith Is What Pulls On His Power—Faith Was Made by God and It Works!

The fourth point I want to make today is this: **God always looks for a person He can cooperate with.** He looks for doers, not just hearers of His Word. Remember the woman with the issue of blood. Remember that she got up and made her way toward Whose garment she wanted to touch—a perfect example of setting your sights on what you want and moving straight to it. Did that woman have struggles? Yes. She was bleeding as she went. Was it difficult for her to make her way through the crowd? Yes, it was. But she had a goal in mind, and the difficulties in reaching that goal were minor compared to what she wanted. Her desire outpowered her trouble in her mind.

The woman with the issue of blood was focused on Jesus. Mark 5:27-28 says, “*When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched His garment. For she said, If I may touch but His clothes, I shall be whole.*” She wanted to connect with Him, and He was happy to cooperate with her faith. Verse 34 makes it clear that Jesus was in full agreement with the demand of her faith: “*And He said unto her, Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague.*” Jesus didn’t focus on anything else as the reason for her miracle.


Jesus never once talked about His power when He told that woman exactly what had made her whole. However, He didn’t ignore His power either. In fact, Luke 8:46 tells us, “*And Jesus said, Somebody hath touched Me: for I perceive that virtue is gone out of Me.*” In other words, with a crowd thronging Him, He felt the difference in her one small touch. Why? Because there is power in the touch of a person exerting their faith. That woman drew on Jesus’ power with her faith. So, that is what I mean by the cooperative nature of faith that God is looking for. It’s *your* faith pulling on His power which creates change and miracles, and brings what you desire into your life.

Remember that faith is absolute—it was made by God, deposited into every person, and if we use it, it always works! But faith needs our cooperation with Jesus’ power. He must be Who we are reaching out toward with our faith for the things we need or desire. So, now, as I end this letter today, let me remind you of the theme that God gave to us for this year: “*What shall I do for thee?*” Open your mind

and heart today, and reach out in faith to Jesus knowing that He is fully capable and willing to honor your faith in His power.

Thank you for being who you are to this ministry, Partner. Your faithful financial support is so vitally important to the vision of this ministry to reach people for Jesus. Together we are doing the work of the Lord. Now, that's cooperation! Thank you for all your prayers for us. As you sow your seed, remember the hundredfold return promise in Mark 4. It's for you! Decide today that God can do *anything*, and He *will* do it for you. I'm praying for you—that every spiritual, physical, or financial desire you have will be met as you move forward with focus, just like that woman moving through the crowd toward Jesus. She got her miracle and I believe that you *will* get yours, too. Until next time, keep the faith!

Love You,



Jesse Duplantis

P.S. I've chosen my message ***Fragments—Waste Not And You'll Want Not: Your Riches Are In Your Fragments*** for your June Partnership of \$50 or more, available on DVD, CD, or both formats. And for your June Partnership of any amount, you can request this message on CD. This eye-opening message about Jesus feeding the multitude is one that you won't soon forget! Be sure to get yours today by going to JDM.org (click on "Donate") or by checking the enclosure and returning it in the envelope provided. Be blessed!



“What Shall
I Do_{For Thee?}”
2 KINGS 4:2

The *Miracle-Working*
POWER OF
FAITH

June 2021

Partner Letter Bible Study Notes

The Miracle-Working Power of Faith

1st Week June 2021 Bible Study Notes

Open Bible Study in prayer (led by the group leader or someone they choose).

Summer is here and like everything in life, there's a season.

- Time is always passing and every day is an opportunity to have faith and to grow.
- In our study today, you will be encouraged to take today's opportunity to ask God for the things that you want from Him.

*Instruct the group to turn to 2 Kings 4:2.

Our theme this year is “What shall I do for thee?”

- It is taken from a scene in the Bible where the prophet Elisha asks the widow woman what she wants.

*Invite someone in the group to read 2 Kings 4:2 KJV:

*“And Elisha said unto her, **What shall I do for thee?** tell me, what hast thou in the house? And she said, Thine handmaid hath not any thing in the house, save a pot of oil.”*

The widow woman needed a miracle in her life and she put a demand on the faith of Elisha.

- Elisha knew what she needed, and yet he wanted her to answer his question.
- She needed to get it straight in her own mind and heart so she could believe for it in faith.

The widow woman received her miracle.

- When we read those six words spoken to her by Elisha, we need to realize that God is asking us that same question.
- *“What shall I do for thee?”*

You see, the miracle-working power of faith in God still works today.

- God is telling each one of us to ask of Him.

*Group Discussion: Has our theme for this year encouraged you to ask God to do something specific in your life?

All this year, we've been looking at scenes from the Bible that revolve around making our requests known to God.

- In January, we learned that all of us should “Ask, and Ask Big.”
- In February, we saw that God wants us to “Be Persistent and Don't Give Up!”
- The March Bible Study taught us how to “Fix *Your* Thoughts on *Who* God is, on His *Will* and on His *Power!*”
- In April, we studied how to “Be Bold! Ask Specifically and Only Believe!”

And last month, we learned that “Christ Has Authority Over *Everything!*”

- We saw that we must have singleness of mind in Christ's greater authority to understand the question “What shall I do for thee?”
- We learned that we have the best results when we recognize His authority, ask in faith, and accept His Lordship over *everything*.

*Instruct the group to turn to Matthew 9:20.

This month's Bible Study is titled: “The Miracle-Working Power of Faith.”

- Today, we will go to another scene in the Bible where Jesus grants a person what they desired.
- This is the story of the woman with an issue of blood.

*Invite someone in the group to read Matthew 9:20-22 KJV:

20. And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind Him, and touched the hem of His garment:

21. For she said within herself, If I may but touch His garment, I shall be whole.

22. But 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.

This woman enters Jesus' life and says these now famous words in verse 21: *"If I may but touch His garment, I shall be whole."*

- Notice her faith in that verse.
- Notice her tenacity.
- It's very similar to the widow who needed a miracle from Elisha.

So, the first point of this month's Bible Study is this: Faith and tenacity will get what you want and need from God.

- That woman with the issue of blood pushed through the crowd to see Jesus.
- She already knew in her mind and heart that if she could just touch His garment, she would receive her miracle.

That woman made her way through the crowd and touched the hem of Jesus' garment.

- The word for hem in the Greek describes a tassel of twisted wool at each of the four corners of the outer garment.
- One thread of each tassel was deep blue to remind them of their duty to keep the law.

Her faith and tenacity got her what she wanted and needed from God.

***Group Discussion: Have you been inspired by the faith and tenacity of this woman?**

Let's look at what Jesus does and says in response to her in verse 22 in the Amplified Bible, Classic Edition:

"Jesus turned around and, seeing her, He said, Take courage, daughter! Your faith has made you well. And at once the woman was restored to health."

Wow, that's a powerful demonstration of "The Miracle-Working Power of Faith."

- It worked for this woman, and it will work for anyone that will act on it.

We can learn a lot about how miracles work just by paying attention to what Jesus said to this woman that had suffered for twelve years.

- His instructions to her to *"take courage"* reveals that she needed to stay in faith.
- Noticed that he called her *"daughter"* reminding her of God's promises to His children.
- Then Jesus told her *"your faith has made you well."*

That powerful statement from Jesus to a woman clearly shows us that anyone can use the force of faith to access the miracle-working power of God.

- You too can experience the same results that she did that day so long ago.
- *"And at once the woman was restored to health."*

Faith and tenacity will get what you want and need from God.

Confess What God Shall Do for YOU!

1. The miracle-working power of faith in God still works today. I make my requests known to God with full faith. I know that He can make whatever I desire come to pass.
2. Faith and tenacity will get what I want and need from God. I know in my mind and heart that when I touch Him with my faith, I will receive my miracle.

Close in Prayer.

The Miracle-Working Power of Faith

2nd Week June 2021 Bible Study Notes

Open Bible Study in prayer (led by the group leader or someone they choose).

All this year, we have been looking at different scenes from the Bible to get a deeper understanding of what our wonderful God wants to do for us.

- He gave us a powerful theme for 2021, which is actually a question from 2 Kings 4:2 where Elisha asks a woman in need, *“What shall I do for thee?”*

God is asking each of us this same question today.

- Each month we are looking at a different scene from the scriptures where this principle was on display in the lives of people just like you and me.

Today, we will continue with the second week of this month’s Bible Study titled: “The Miracle-Working Power of Faith.”

***Instruct the group to turn to Matthew 9:20.**

Let’s look again at the scene in the Bible where Jesus grants the woman with an issue of blood what she desired.

***Invite someone in the group to read Matthew 9:20-22 KJV:**

20. And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind Him, and touched the hem of His garment:

21. For she said within herself, If I may but touch His garment, I shall be whole.

22. But 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.

Last week, we learned that the miracle-working power of faith in God still works today.

- When we make our requests known to God with full faith, we know that He can make whatever we desire come to pass.
- We also saw that faith and tenacity will get what we want and need from God.
- We can touch Him with our faith and receive our miracle.

The second point of this month’s Bible Study is this: God always requires faith to work miracles in your life.

- Never forget that.
- Even your imperfect faith brings with it a blessing.
- You don’t need to be perfect to receive.

You just need to have both your heart and mind in alignment with your faith and believe that you receive what you ask of Him.

***Group Discussion: Can God do what you desire? Do you believe He will do it for you? Do you look at your circumstances and see impossibility and give up? Or do you acknowledge that your circumstances will bend to the will of your faith and the power of God in your life?**

These kinds of questions help you to assess yourself so you can be more like the woman with the issue of blood.

- This was a woman who knew she was considered unclean.
- She knew that it was not right to touch Jesus according to the law, and yet she did not put her circumstances above her desire.

The woman with the issue of blood had an earnest heart.

- Her mind was fixed on what she wanted from the Lord.

- Her faith demanded that she get up, go out, and touch the hem of His garment.

Her circumstances dictated she should stay home—that is what everyone would have told her to do.

- Thank God, she didn't listen!
- This woman's faith made a demand on the power of Jesus, and she got what she desired.

You see, real faith will make a demand on both you and God.

- It will propel you toward a single focus.
- Real faith will move you forward with a knowing in your mind and heart.

***Group Discussion: What made the woman whole? Was it her finger? Was it the touch?**

Jesus did not say it was either one.

- We really need to understand that it was her **faith**, not her finger, that made her whole.
- It was her faith in the Lord's power.

Also, notice that she was not just healed, but she was made *whole*.

- After that moment, whatever damage that had occurred during those 12 years of sickness was now gone.
- She wasn't just a woman who was no longer bleeding.
- She was back to a perfect state of health, as if the sickness had never touched her body.

That means she had enough faith for miracles.

- Getting healed was a miracle in and of itself.
- But being made *whole* was taking it up a level and a whole other miracle!

This shows us that faith is not difficult.

- It doesn't take that much to get what you desire.

Jesus taught in Matthew 17:20 that faith the size of a mustard seed can move a mountain.

- So how much does it take to get healed, out of debt, your family saved, or a new job with better pay?

The teaching of Jesus about mustard-seed faith shows us that what we believe matters.

- When our heart and mind are aligned with God's Word and ways, we have something within us that can break natural law.

That something is called faith.

- It's a force of spiritual energy that can turn impossibilities into realities in our life.
- You need to know that you have enough faith to work.

Jesus taught in Matthew 18:19 that if just *two* of us agree on this earth concerning anything that we may *ask*, it will be done for us by God in Heaven.

- But we must have faith both when agree and when we ask.

It takes Christ to do the work, and it takes us to agree with it.

Confess What God Shall Do for YOU!

1. God always requires faith to work miracles in my life. My heart and mind are in alignment with my faith. I believe that I receive what I ask of God.
2. I refuse to put my circumstances above my desire. I have an earnest heart and my mind is fixed on what I want from the Lord.
3. My faith makes a demand on the power of Jesus and propels me toward a single focus. My faith is a force of spiritual energy that turns impossibilities into realities in my life.

Close in Prayer.

The Miracle-Working Power of Faith

3rd Week June 2021 Bible Study Notes

Open Bible Study in prayer (led by the group leader or someone they choose).

Today, we will continue with the third week of this month's Bible Study titled: "The Miracle-Working Power of Faith."

- As always, these teachings are developed from a letter written by Jesse to JDM ministry Partners.
- It is a timely word directly from the Lord to encourage our faith and help us grow in our relationship with Him.

All this year, each Partner letter has continued to flow with the wonderful theme that God has given to us in 2021: "What shall I do for thee?"

- We have been learning how to make our requests known to God and see the results we desire from Him.

Let's look again at our foundation text for this month.

***Instruct the group to turn to Matthew 9:20.**

This is the scene in the Bible where Jesus grants the woman with an issue of blood what she desired.

***Invite someone in the group to read Matthew 9:20-22 KJV:**

20. And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind Him, and touched the hem of His garment:

21. For she said within herself, If I may but touch His garment, I shall be whole.

22. But 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.

This passage of scripture shows us how the miracle-working power of faith in God works.

- This woman's faith and tenacity got what she wanted and needed from God.
- She touched Him with her faith and she received her miracle.

***Group Discussion: Have you begun to see that God always requires faith to work miracles in our lives?**

- When our hearts and minds are in alignment with our faith, we can receive what we ask of God.
- We must refuse to put our circumstances above our desire.
- We must fix our heart and mind on what we want from the Lord.

Faith can make a demand on the power of Jesus and propel you toward a single focus.

- Your faith is a force of spiritual energy that can turn impossibilities into realities in your life.

***Instruct the group to turn to Hebrews 13:5.**

The third point of this month's Bible Study is this: Miracles are born out of a sense of supreme need, plus the awareness and the trust that the Lord is *always* with us.

- The Lord doesn't leave us.
- He doesn't forsake us.

***Invite someone in the group to read Hebrews 13:5-6 KJV:**

"Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for He hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me."

Miraculous power comes to a person when they suddenly know that supernatural spiritual strength is available and all they have to do is believe it.

- Nothing is impossible—nothing!

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- It takes millions (not million!) to do the work God has given him to do.
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- He was struggling in his mind about how to pay for something.

God told him, “Jesse, I didn’t ask you to pay for it. I asked you to believe for it.”

- That statement changed his whole way of thinking about budgets, bills, needs, desires, and wants.
- It changed the way he viewed the goals he set for the ministry.

It helped him so much and it can help you too, because when you get a revelation about the power of your faith, it will relieve you of the pressure of trying to do it all on your own.

***Group Discussion: Does this example help you to see that your part isn’t to worry?**

Your part isn’t to fret. Your part isn’t to complain or wish.

- Your part is to have faith that God can do whatever you have the faith and guts to believe.

Jesse says that in 45 years of preaching (43 years of full-time ministry), his ministry has not had a financial deficit one time.

- Now, that’s amazing! That is what God has done.
- But it would not have happened if he didn’t hold to his faith.

Problems come and curve balls are thrown our way. Life happens!

- That doesn’t change our belief, though.
- We must hold to our faith in God and roll through those things.

Your faith can lift you above the turbulence in your mind and it sets your course.

- You don’t need to care about what the world says you can’t do.

If God has placed something in your heart, then you don’t have to *make it* happen—you have to *believe it* will happen.

- You do things in the natural, of course, but the biggest part of any faith project is the faith you exert to do it.

Confess What God Shall Do for YOU!

1. Miracles are born out of a sense of supreme need, plus the awareness and the trust that the Lord is *always* with me. He doesn’t leave me. He doesn’t forsake me.
2. I hold to my faith in God. I roll through problems and curve balls thrown my way. My faith lifts me above the turbulence in my mind and it sets my course.
3. I don’t care what the world says I can’t do. If God has placed something in my heart, then I don’t have to *make it* happen—I have to *believe it* will happen.

Close in Prayer.

The Miracle-Working Power of Faith

4th Week June 2021 Bible Study Notes

Open Bible Study in prayer (led by the group leader or someone they choose).

All this month, we have been learning about “The Miracle-Working Power of Faith.”

- In our first lesson, you learned that faith and tenacity will get what you want and need from God.
- Then, in our second lesson of this month’s Bible Study, you saw that God always requires faith to work miracles in your life.
- Last week, you learned that miracles are born out of a sense of supreme need, plus the awareness and the trust that the Lord is *always* with you.

Today, in the conclusion of this month’s Bible Study, you will understand how to connect and cooperate with God.

***Instruct the group to turn to Matthew 9:20.**

Let’s look one more time at the scene in the Bible where the woman with an issue of blood used the miracle-working power of faith and got what she desired from Jesus.

***Invite someone in the group to read Matthew 9:20-22 KJV:**

20. And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind Him, and touched the hem of His garment:

21. For she said within herself, If I may but touch His garment, I shall be whole.

22. But 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.

All this month, we have been learning from the example of this determined woman of faith.

- Last week, we learned to hold to our faith in God and roll through problems and curve balls thrown our way.
- We saw that faith lifts us above the turbulence in our mind and it sets our course.
- If God has placed something in our heart, then we don’t have to *make it* happen.
- We have to *believe it* will happen.

Now, let’s look at the fourth point in our Bible Study this month: God always looks for a person He can cooperate with.

- He looks for doers, not just hearers of His Word.

Remember the woman with the issue of blood.

- Remember that she got up and made her way toward Whose garment she wanted to touch.

This is a perfect example of setting your sights on what you want and moving straight to it.

***Group Discussion: Has this teaching challenged you to connect and cooperate with God?**

Did that woman have struggles? Yes. She was bleeding as she went.

- Was it difficult for her to make her way through the crowd? Yes, it was.
- But she had a goal in mind and the difficulties in reaching that goal were minor compared to what she wanted.
- Her desire outpowered her trouble in her mind.

***Instruct the group to turn to Mark 5:27.**

The woman with the issue of blood was focused on Jesus.

- Her faith pulled on His power.

***Invite someone in the group to read Mark 5:27-28 KJV:**

“When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched His garment. For she said, If I may touch but His clothes, I shall be whole.”

She wanted to connect with Him, and He was happy to cooperate with her faith.

- Verse 34 makes it clear that Jesus was in full agreement with the demand of her faith.

***Invite someone in the group to read Mark 5:34 KJV:**

“And He said unto her, Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague.”

Jesus didn’t focus on anything else as the reason for her miracle.

***Instruct the group to turn to Luke 8:46.**

Jesus never once talked about His power when He told that woman exactly what had made her whole.

- However, He didn’t ignore His power either.

***Invite someone in the group to read Luke 8:46 KJV:**

“And Jesus said, Somebody hath touched Me: for I perceive that virtue is gone out of Me.”

In other words, with a crowd thronging Him, He felt the difference in her one small touch.

- Why? Because there is power in the touch of a person exerting their faith.
- That woman drew on Jesus’ power with her faith.

That is the cooperative nature of faith that God is looking for.

- It’s *your* faith pulling on His power which creates change and miracles, and brings what you desire into your life.

Remember that faith is absolute—it was made by God, deposited into every person, and if we use it, it always works!

- But faith needs our cooperation with Jesus’ power.
- He must be Who we are reaching out toward with our faith for the things we need or desire.

So, now, as we end our Bible Study for this month, let’s remember the theme that God gave to us for this year: “What shall I do for thee?”

- Open your mind and heart today, and reach out in faith to Jesus.

***Group Discussion: Do you have a greater awareness that Jesus is fully capable and willing to honor your faith in His power?**

Decide today that God can do *anything*, and He *will* do it for you.

- Believe that every spiritual, physical, or financial desire you have will be met as you move forward with focus, just like that woman moving through the crowd toward Jesus.
- She got her miracle and if you believe, you *will* get yours, too.

Use the miracle-working power of faith for whatsoever things you desire today!

Confess What God Shall Do for YOU!

1. God always looks for a person He can cooperate with. He looks for doers, not just hearers of His Word. I set my sights on what I want and move straight to it.
2. Faith is absolute and was deposited into me by God. When I use it, it always works! I am reaching out toward Jesus’ power with my faith for the things I need and desire.

Close in Prayer.