

Get Closer to Jesus

Mark 5:21-43

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I. Celebrity status. Mark 5:21-24

According to *Vine's Expository Dictionary*, "**throng**" means to press round or throng one so as almost to _____ him. **Luke 8:42**

- When _____ or life fails us to the point that we can no longer handle it, it should compel us to be desperate and go to Jesus.

II. A desperate idea. Mark 5:25-28

This woman was _____ from her family, society, and from worshipping the Lord publicly for twelve full years!

- **Mark 5:27** When she _____ about Jesus, she came behind Him in the crowd and touched His garment. **NKJV**

The word **touch** means to fasten one's self to, adhere to, _____ to.

III. Her desperation worked. Mark 5:29-34

Desperation drove this woman to cling to Jesus, and notice as soon as she touched Jesus she was healed _____.

- Jesus was claiming this woman as His own _____!

You can spend all of your money, all of your time and all of your peace trying to become _____; but if you do not make your way to Jesus, you will never know true peace.

- "Faith in Jesus Christ is acknowledging the truth of everything that God has _____ in His Word, trusting in Him, and also receiving and resting on Him alone for salvation." (Alistair Begg)

IV. Another daughter gets healed. Mark 5:35-43

Belief and trust go hand in hand. It is not enough to have an _____ belief about God; our faith moves us towards Him.

- When a person has _____ in their heart, it is hard for them to see miracles when they occur.

The Good Shepherd said to this little girl, "**My little lamb, I say unto you, arise**" with words of incredible _____ and power.

V. Practical Application.

Although Bible studies, prayer, regular church attendance and obedience can be tools to develop a closer relationship with God, these things can also become _____ of performance.

- We should desire the expression of our heart in worship to look like what is recorded in the _____ regarding worship.

Small Group Discussion

Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

1. Read **Mark 5:21-24**. Why does God allow us to get to the end of ourselves? What people, places, or activities take up the space in your life that is meant for God? Are you willing to give those to him? (Kyle Idleman)
2. Read **Luke 8:42**. Discuss the word "**throng**".
3. Discuss the meaning for the word "**touched**" in **Mark 5:27**.
4. Discuss the differences of the 12 years for the woman with the blood flow and Jairus and his daughter. **Leviticus 15:25, Matthew 9:18-19, Mark 5:21-24, Mark 5:27, Luke 6:6-11, Luke 8:40-42**
5. What is the significance of Jesus calling the woman in our narrative "**Daughter**"? **Mark 5:25-34, Luke 8:46-48, Romans 8:15, Galatians 4:6, Hebrews 11:6**
6. In **Mark 5:40** and **Matthew 9:24**, the professional mourners laughed at Jesus. Why was it important for Jesus to remove these people before he raised the girl back to life? Why did Jesus only allow His inner circle of three Disciples to join Him while healing the little girl? Can unbelief tie the hands of the Lord and His omnipotence? **Matthew 8:10, Mark 6:4-6, James 1:6-7**
7. Read **John 4:24**. What does it mean to worship in spirit and in truth? **Exodus 20:22-26, Deuteronomy 6:4-5, Psalm 100:3, Malachi 3:6, Matthew 15:7-9, Romans 12:1-2**
8. Discuss the Practical Applications from this sermon.