

SERIES – THE ORIGINAL STORY OF JESUS

Being a Healer, 10/4/26

Mark 5:21-43

I. Three Healings of Jesus

- He healed a Gerasene man by casting out the evils spirits that had been tormenting him
- He healed A woman who had a hemorrhage
- He healed and resurrected Jairus' daughter who died

II. Lessons From Jesus' Healings

- Healing includes the restoration of harmony and tranquility (shalom) both within and between people
- Like Jesus with the Gerasene man, we need to try to bring healing to people even if they don't want it, but we must approach them with kindness, humility, and acceptance
- We must look for people who are in need of healing
- To be a healer requires being an empathetic person:
 - Seek to understand what other people are feeling
 - Look for common ground
 - Really listen to others
 - Reach out to those who are different than we are

There is much healing that is needed today because there is a tremendous lack of kindness, compassion, and empathy. But we can be healers. Let's demonstrate how it's done by following Jesus' example.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE

Mark 5:21-43 (New Living Translation)

²¹ Jesus got into the boat again and went back to the other side of the lake, where a large crowd gathered around him on the shore. ²² Then a leader of the local synagogue, whose name was Jairus, arrived. When he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet, ²³ pleading fervently with him. "My little daughter is

dying," he said. "Please come and lay your hands on her; heal her so she can live." ²⁴ Jesus went with him, and all the people followed, crowding around him. ²⁵ A woman in the crowd had suffered for twelve years with constant bleeding. ²⁶ She had suffered a great deal from many doctors, and over the years she had spent everything she had to pay them, but she had gotten no better. In fact, she had gotten worse. ²⁷ She had heard about Jesus, so she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his robe. ²⁸ For she thought to herself, "If I can just touch his robe, I will be healed."

²⁹ Immediately the bleeding stopped, and she could feel in her body that she had been healed of her terrible condition. ³⁰ Jesus realized at once that healing power had gone out from him, so he turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who touched my robe?" ³¹ His disciples said to him, "Look at this crowd pressing around you. How can you ask, 'Who touched me?'" ³² But he kept on looking around to see who had done it. ³³ Then the frightened woman, trembling at the realization of what had happened to her, came and fell to her knees in front of him and told him what she had done. ³⁴ And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace. Your suffering is over." ³⁵ While he was still speaking to her, messengers arrived from the home of Jairus, the leader of the synagogue. They told him, "Your daughter is dead. There's no use troubling the Teacher now." ³⁶ But Jesus overheard^[e] them and said to Jairus, "Don't be afraid. Just have faith." ³⁷ Then Jesus stopped the crowd and wouldn't let anyone go with him except Peter, James, and John (the brother of James). ³⁸ When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw much commotion and weeping and wailing. ³⁹ He went inside and asked, "Why all this commotion and weeping? The child isn't dead; she's only asleep." ⁴⁰ The crowd laughed at him. But he made them all leave, and he took the girl's father and mother and his three disciples into the room where the girl was lying. ⁴¹ Holding her hand, he said to her, "Talitha kum," which means "Little girl, get up!" ⁴² And the girl, who was twelve years old, immediately stood up and walked around! They were overwhelmed and totally amazed. ⁴³ Jesus gave them strict orders not to tell anyone what had happened, and then he told them to give her something to eat.