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WITH TEACHING COMMENTARY BY NICK BOORK

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## January 13 – 9:18-38

While He spoke these things to them, behold, a ruler came and worshiped Him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay Your hand on her and she will live.” <sup>19</sup> So Jesus arose and followed him, and so *did* His disciples. <sup>20</sup> And suddenly, a woman who had a flow of blood for twelve years came from behind and touched the hem of His garment. <sup>21</sup> For she said to herself, “If only I may touch His garment, I shall be made well.” <sup>22</sup> But Jesus turned around, and when He saw her He said, “Be of good cheer, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And the woman was made well from that hour. <sup>23</sup> When Jesus came into the ruler’s house, and saw the flute players and the noisy crowd wailing, <sup>24</sup> He said to them, “Make room, for the girl is not dead, but sleeping.” And they ridiculed Him. <sup>25</sup> But when the crowd was put outside, He went in and took her by the hand, and the girl arose. <sup>26</sup> And the report of this went out into all that land.

<sup>27</sup> When Jesus departed from there, two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying, “Son of David, have mercy on us!” <sup>28</sup> And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, “Do you believe that I am able to do this?” They said to Him, “Yes, Lord.” <sup>29</sup> Then He touched their eyes, saying, “According to your faith let it be to you.” <sup>30</sup> And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, saying, “See *that* no one knows *it*.” <sup>31</sup> But when they had departed, they spread the news about Him in all that country. <sup>32</sup> As they went out, behold, they brought to Him a man, mute and demon-possessed. <sup>33</sup> And when the demon was cast out, the mute spoke. And the multitudes marveled, saying, “It was never seen like this in Israel!”

<sup>34</sup> But the Pharisees said, “He casts out demons by the ruler of the demons.” <sup>35</sup> Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. <sup>36</sup> But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then He said to His disciples, “The harvest truly *is* plentiful, but the laborers *are* few. <sup>38</sup> Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.”

## OKAY, HERE’S MY TEACHING COMMENTARY

### (Testimony of a Miracle of Healing included)

In this portion of the Gospel of Matthew we find several people that received their healing:

1. The daughter of the ruler was healed.
2. The woman with the bleeding problem was healed.

3. The two men blind received their sight.
4. A man bound by a demon was set free so that he could both hear and speak.

But today, I want to focus on the woman who had the problem with the bleeding who was healed. This woman had suffered a long time and was at the end of her rope. 12 years the Bible says. She spent all of her money on doctors and they could not help her. After so long a time she really lost her faith in the medical system. However, she kept hearing about all the miracles that were happening through this traveling teacher named Jesus. Jesus represented an alternative method of healing. Jesus was like her last hope. She kept hearing more and more stories of so many people being healed by Jesus that faith began to grow inside of her heart. If only Jesus would come to my town she thought I would ask him to heal me too. One day, she heard that Jesus and his disciples were passing through her town. When she made her way to where Jesus was she encountered a mob of people surrounding him. There were so many people making so much noise that her voice just could not reach his ears. But wait! She thought to herself it self, if I can just touch him I will be healed too!

She believed it so much that she pursued him. Now if she could just press through this mob of people around Jesus and touch him. I imagine she made several attempts. Finally, she lunged forward like a baseball player diving for home plate and touched the hem of Jesus garment. Wow! She felt his mighty power flow through her whole body like warm electricity. It was so powerful that she just fell to the ground with the waves of the Holy Spirit flowing all over her. Suddenly Jesus stopped and asked the crowd who touched me? The disciples said what do you mean who touched you? You see the multitudes of people all around you. Anyone could've touched you Jesus.

Other gospels reveal that Jesus said I perceive power or virtue has left me. This was not just anybody touching Jesus. This was someone touching him with faith to receive healing. Now Jesus wanted to know who it was. Why? Because the Bible says faith pleases God and God rewards faith. Jesus, the Son of God, wanted to commend whoever it was that exercised their faith to receive healing. At Jesus request to know from the crowd who touched me? The woman cried out it was me and I'm healed. Jesus was very pleased! I'm sure he had a big smile on his face as the woman confessed her faith in him to be healed. Be of good cheer daughter your faith has made you well He said.

Jesus revealed a simple principle of receiving from God. Faith in God brings the answer. What do you need from God? Faith can bring the answer. I saw this happen when I was a missionary in Singapore with my wife Yngris. I shared the same story with a woman that was asking for prayer for healing. I asked her if she believed that Jesus Christ could heal her. The lady said I hope so. I hope so would not bring the answer and I knew it. I could sense the fear in her voice as she replied to my question with I hope so. Wanting her to have faith, I shared several stories from people in the gospel that needed healing and received by faith. I could see her faith beginning to grow. I finally asked her again now do you believe that Jesus can heal you? She said yes. Well, she had been diagnosed with tumors on the inside of her and she was going and

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next day to have them removed. We laid hands on this lady and prayed for healing. Her name was Molly Chua and she was Chinese living in Singapore.

When we prayed we prayed in faith and we believed God for the healing and the answer. That night, as she went home on the bus she felt waves of power coming over her. When she went in to see the doctors the next day they examined her but did not find any tumors and the operation did not have to happen. She told us she was rejoicing and praising God because Jesus had healed her but she did her part also and exercised her faith to receive the healing. Not for me, not from a man but from the risen Christ who suffered and bore our sicknesses, bore our sins and our infirmities and weaknesses and she received healing because she touched Jesus by faith.

- Jesus heals today friends.
- He healed people 2000 years ago.
- If he can heal people on the other side of the planet in Singapore He can heal people wherever you are at.
- Receive your healing reach out and touch him by faith today and be healed in Jesus name.

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