



# CROSS & CROWN

## **Mark 5:22-34 [NIV]**

<sup>22</sup> Then one of the synagogue leaders, named Jairus, came, and when he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet. <sup>23</sup> He pleaded earnestly with him, “My little daughter is dying. Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live.” <sup>24</sup> So Jesus went with him. A large crowd followed and pressed around him. <sup>25</sup> And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years. <sup>26</sup> She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse. <sup>27</sup> When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, <sup>28</sup> because she thought, “If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed.” <sup>29</sup> Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering. <sup>30</sup> At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, “Who touched my clothes?” <sup>31</sup> “You see the people crowding against you,” his disciples answered, “and yet you can ask, ‘Who touched me?’” <sup>32</sup> But Jesus kept looking around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup> Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup> He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering.”



**Desperation drives us to Dependence or Despair.  
Choose Dependence on Jesus!**

**James 2:17 [NIV]**  
*FAITH, by itself, if not  
accompanied by  
action is dead.*

**Exercising Faith means you must be willing to take some risk. Where are you risking for Jesus?**

**Mark 6:56b [ESV]**  
*And as many touched it (the  
fringe of his garment) were  
made well.*

**What is not possible with man is always possible with God.**

**Our demonstrations of faith serve to encourage others.**

## **1 John 3:16 [NIV]**

*This is how we know what love is Jesus laid down his life for us.*

## How to receive forgiveness from God:

- 1) Admit you, like everyone else, need new LIFE in Jesus.
- 2) Ask God to forgive your sins by the sacrifice of Jesus.
- 3) Receive new LIFE from God by trusting in Jesus as your Savior & Lord.

### **You can do that now by simply talking to God in a prayer like this:**

Dear Lord Jesus, I know I am a sinner, and I ask for Your forgiveness.  
I believe You died for my sins and rose from the dead. Today, I receive you as my Savior; and I put my faith in you as my LORD. Help me to live for you all the days of my life. In Your name, Amen.

**If you chose to follow Jesus today, text “FAITH” to 309-250-2007 to receive additional information about next steps in following Jesus.**

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### **For Further Reflection:**

:: Reflect on a season when you experienced a time of hopelessness or desperation.

:: What did you do in that season?

:: How did you experience dependence on Jesus?

:: How did he prove to be faithful?

:: As you looked at the painting by Daniel Cariola called Encounter, what part of the image resonates with you? Why?

:: Read Mark 5:22-34.

:: What stands out to you as you reflect on Jesus' treatment of Jairus and the bleeding woman?

:: Where have you chosen to risk in faithful obedience to Jesus?

:: Where have you experienced Jesus 'making you whole'?

:: How have you seen your faith encourage others? Who has encouraged your faith by their acts of faithful risk?

:: What 'impossible thing' are you waiting on God for? Who is joining you in prayers and encouragement in your waiting?

:: Identify 1 thing you can do this week to surrender to the Cross and Crown of Jesus at work in your life.

“...And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins...”  
Matthew 1:21 [KJV]

Unless otherwise noted, today's Scripture is from the New International Version [NIV].

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## **Join us in-person for Good Friday & Easter Sunday:**

**Family Good Friday service** – April 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 6:30pm – Rock Island & Bettendorf

**Easter Sunday** – April 4<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30am, 10:00am, and 11:30am services  
Rock Island and Bettendorf --- Kids Programming available at all six options.

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