

A Worship Discussion Guide for Individuals, Groups & Families for the week of September 14, 2025

Read the Bible passage aloud in your group meeting. This is a worship discussion guide, and our reflections and applications are grounded in Scripture. You do not need to work through the whole guide. Decide which points would be most helpful for your meeting, and use them as a starting point for your time together.

Mark 5:24-34 Jesus Perceiving

²⁴ And he went with him. And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. ²⁵ And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, ²⁶ and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. ²⁷ She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. ²⁸ For she said, "If I touch even his garments, I will be made well." ²⁹ And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰ And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my garments?" 31 And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, 'Who touched me?'" 32 And he looked around to see who had done it. 33 But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. ³⁴ And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

- What happens in your soul when sickness or struggle drags on, and on, and on?
- This account occurs while Jesus is on an urgent mission to save the dying daughter of a synagogue ruler named Jairus (Mark 5:21-24). Jesus is interrupted. What happens?
- What are we told about the woman? What kind of life would a woman like this have in first century Palestine? Why? Read Leviticus 15:25-30 for more insight.
- Why does she touch the garment of Jesus?
- What is Jesus' reaction? What do you notice about what is important to Jesus? (30-34)
- Look closely at the interaction between Jesus and the woman (32-33). What impresses you about the woman here?

- Jesus gives a name to the woman's response to Him.
 What is it? (34)
- What do we learn about the relationship between faith and healing?
- Jesus calls the woman daughter. Why is this significant? (34)
- List the several dimensions and implications for the healing Jesus provides for the woman. How do you currently need the healing that only Jesus can provide?
- Pray together in light of this week's passage.

Stories from the Church: Mike Glasgow

Throughout this current sermon series on Questions Jesus Asked, brothers and sisters from our church will share the ways Jesus is faithfully at work in His church through many ministries at WEPC.

Two monumental, extraordinary events shaped my walk with Jesus, three when you count his offer of salvation and the forgiveness of my numerous sins. In 2009, after my first marriage ended in divorce, I was really, truly lost, profoundly broken. The first event was an invitation from a believing brother at my church in Williamsburg to attend a small group. I had never heard of this concept, but said yes because, hey, why not-there was only one way: up.

I started attending weekly Small Group meetings, and those seven married couples loved on me profoundly, invited me to meals, Bible study, friendship-- exactly what I needed, and Jesus knew this. It was at small group that I learned much about how faith in the Lord really works in your heart and life. These beloved friends showed me love, hope, and truth. Later when I married Cindi, they took her in as well into the small group family. The key verse was Proverbs 3:5, "Trust in

the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding."

The second event happened on the heels of the first event: one of my Michigan customers invited me to a men's retreat in Ohio the following April. "Want to come to Men's Retreat?", Bob said. I said sure, wanting to make another friend, but again I had no mental picture of what to expect. At the retreat, nearly 100 likeminded believing men surrounded me, engaged me, asked questions, provided some answers, and ultimately, thank the Lord, it changed me. I loved when we sang together great hymns of praise, and found that Bible study was the path to knowing God more fully, and Jesus's work on the Cross. A key verse at the Retreat was Matthew 6:33, "But seek first His kingdom, and His righteousness, and all these things will be provided to you."

Some of you know how passionate and energetic I am for Men's Ministry, 2nd Monday Men's Fellowship, and small groups here at West End Pres. Now you know some of the reasons why. THE Reason. When Jesus changes your life, it's just irresistible. He changed me, and it's impossible to me not to get out there, invite brothers to Men's Retreat, get involved in small group, and encourage everyone to trust and obey our Lord (one of my favorite hymns). When I'm here, I'm with the family of God. A final verse-- II Timothy 2:2 "The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also." Thank you.

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