

“Who touched Me?”
Mark 5:25-34

The woman from Capernaum:

This woman was considered unclean.

This woman had no resources of any kind left to her.

She recalled stories about Jesus healing people.

It must have seemed impossible for her to see Jesus.

She put out her hand, touched Jesus' robe, and was healed.

“Daughter,” Jesus says, “your faith has healed you.” The Greek word *sesoken* used here can be translated either as *has healed* or *has saved*.

Most of us often feel unclean because of things we've done.

And so, just like the nameless woman of Capernaum, we look for a cure.

Looking for a worldly cure and failing just like her.

Then Jesus touches us with His own body and blood broken and shed for us.

Jesus touches us as surely as He touched her with pardon and peace.

Others, who we call them, are also hungry for the touch of Jesus.

They just like us need to be touched by Jesus.

Jesus wants us who have been touched not to be bystanders.

Jesus wants us to be His hands touching, lifting up, embracing.

Touching so that His story, and her story, and our story becomes their story, too.