A Passion for Compassion







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"And when Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue,

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"Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet and implored him earnestly, saying,
'My little daughter is at the point of death.

Come and lay hands on her, so that she may be made well and live.' And he went with him."

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"And a great crowd followed him and thronged

about him."

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"And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse."

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"She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment."

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"For she said, "If I touch even his garments,
I will be made well." And immediately the
flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body
that she was healed of her disease."

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"And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my garments?'"

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"And his disciples said to him, "You see
the crowd pressing around you
and yet you say,
'Who touched me?'" And he looked around to
see who had done it."

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"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. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

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"While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?"

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"But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.'"

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"And he allowed no one to follow him except
Peter and James and John the brother of James.
They came to the house of the ruler of the
synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion,
people weeping and wailing loudly."

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"And when he had entered, he said to them,
'Why are you making a commotion and
weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping.'
And they laughed at him."

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"But he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. Taking her by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha cumi,' which means, 'Little girl, I say to you, arise.'"

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"And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat."

Faith refuses to focus on circumstances.

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"And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying,

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"Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon."

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"But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she is crying out after us.' He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.'"

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"But she came and knelt before him, saying,
'Lord, help me.' And he answered, 'It is not
right to take the children's bread and throw it to
the dogs.'"

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"She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.' And her daughter was healed instantly."

Faith nullifies disqualification!

Compassion releases healing, signs & wonders.

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"Jesus went on from there and walked beside the Sea of Galilee. And he went up on the mountain and sat down there."

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"And great crowds came to him, bringing with them the lame, the blind, the crippled, the mute, and many others, and they put them at his feet, and he healed them..." Miracles are directly related to the ministry of human need.

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Compassion comes from suffering.

Be a carrier of Jesus' compassion.