**4. The Confession (5:33): The woman acknowledges to Jesus that she touched him.** *33 Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth.*

**Compassion: Love for People Moves Jesus to Lead –** Jesus’ leadership was empowered not by a sense of duty or obligation, or by a desire to build an image, but by compassion. Great leaders, like Jesus, build a deep love for people that moves them to do far more than obligation could ever induce. Do you deeply love those you lead? (The Maxwell Leadership Bible, Page 1207)

**5. The Commendation (5:34): Jesus reassures the woman that her faith has brought about her healing!** *34 He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering."* (NIV)

Jesus used a tender word, **daughter**, to address this woman, and He noted that her **faith** made the difference, for it was correctly placed in Him. Faith itself does not heal; rather, it is the proper object of that faith, Jesus, who heals. (The Nelson Study Bible, Page 1651)

**Faith** – Jesus was not angry with this woman for touching him. He knew she had touched him, but he stopped and asked who did it in order to teach her something about faith. Although the woman was healed when she touched him, Jesus said her faith caused the cure. Genuine faith involves action. Faith that isn’t put into action is not faith at all. (Life Application Bible, Page 1740)

**Healed** – The Greek for “healed” actually means “saved.” Hence both physical healing (“be freed from your suffering”) and spiritual salvation (“go in peace”) are meant. The two also appear together in 2:1-12; 3:1-6. (The NIV Study Bible, Page 1531)

**III. CLOSE –** If you’ve the faith, God’s got the power. He’ll give you what you need in order to succeed. Don’t wait for others to carry you to your destination because it won’t happen. Remember, you can do all things through Christ who gives you the strength (Phil. 4:13).

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**I. INTRODUCTION –** One of the many things that separate winners from loser is determination. If a person is determined they will achieve their goal. When I see people giving a half-hearted effort to some endeavor, it lets me know they aren’t really serious. When you are determined to do something, you don’t make excuses you make progress. You don’t look for a way out but for a way to win. You don’t go around blaming others for your life but you take responsibility for your life. You adopt the philosophy that “if it is to be it is up to me.” We must be like the woman in our text today. She didn’t let knowing stop her from getting her miracle. Our primary objective in life should be to get to Jesus and be all that God has called us to be for the glory God and good of mankind. In other words, once we get our healing, deliverance, or blessing we should turn around and help someone else. We should pull others up as we climb ladder of success and spirituality.

You don’t have to fake it until you make it, just keep believing it until you receive it. (Rev. Amos L. Lewis)

**II. EXPOSITION OF THE TEXT -** As we come to our text, Jesus restores a suffering woman’s health.

 **A. Her Disease (5:25-26).**

**1. The Description (5:25): For twelve years she has suffered from internal bleeding.** *25 And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years.*

Intertwined with the incident of Jairus’ daughter is the story of the woman with a persistent blood flow, perhaps a severe menstrual disorder. As a result, she was considered unclean, and anyone she touched would become unclean ceremonially for one day (Lev. 15:25-27). Still, she entered the crowd to touch Jesus.

**2. The Deterioration (5:26): Her condition is worsening.** *26 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.*

In NT times, it was common practice in difficult medical cases for people to consult many different doctors and receive a variety of treatments. The supposed cures were often conflicting, abusive, and many times made the ailment worse, not better (Luke, the physician, in Luke 8:43 suggested the woman was not helped because her condition was incurable). (The MacArthur Study Bible, Page 1469)

 **B. Her Determination (5:27-28): She fights her way through a crowd and touches Jesus' cloak, believing this will heal her!** *27 When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, 28 because she thought, "If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed."*

Anyone touched by this woman who was bleeding would be made unclean. However, when she touched Jesus, He made her clean. (The Woman’s Study Bible, Page 1654)

 **C. Her Deliverance (5:29-34).**

**1. The Cure (5:29): Immediately her bleeding stops.** *29 Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering.*

**2. The Concern (5:30): Turning around, Jesus wants to know who has touched him.** *30 At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who touched my clothes?"*

**3. The Crowd (5:31-32): The disciples didn’t understand.** *31 "You see the people crowding against you," his disciples answered, "and yet you can ask, 'Who touched me?'" 32 But Jesus kept looking around to see who had done it.*

**Could others tap Jesus’ power without his permission?** Jesus was always in control; his power was never released without his consent. Why, then, did he ask who had touched him? Possibly he did it to make the woman go public. It would have been in her own best interest---not to mention the crowd’s—to tell others what had happened to her. Thus a person of timid faith became a faithful witness. (The Quest Study Bible, Page 1389)