

Matthew 9:18-26

Twelve Years

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Intro

Lesson #1 - A Lesson in Compassion

Two very different people come to Jesus.

- One is a man - the other is a woman.
- The man's name is Jairus a ruler in the synagogue.
- The woman's name isn't known. She's anonymous.
- The man is wealthy; The woman is poor--she spent all her money on doctors.
- The man was often in the synagogue.
- The woman wasn't allowed in the synagogue because of her physical issue.
- The man experienced 12 years of joy with his daughter.
- The woman experienced 12 years of misery with her illness.

Acts 10:34 - God doesn't show favoritism.

Lesson #2 - A Lesson about Desperation

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Jairus was desperate because of his daughter's condition.

Why was the woman desperate?

Lev 15 - "When a woman has a discharge of blood for many days at a time other than her monthly period or has a discharge that continues beyond her period, she will be unclean as long as she has the discharge... Any bed she lies on will be unclean... Anything she sits on will be unclean... Whoever touches them will be unclean."

For 12 years she was a total outcast from society.

- **She couldn't go to synagogue...**
 - **If she showed up somewhere, people would avoid her because if they touched her or touched something she touched they'd be unclean**
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Lesson #3 - A Lesson about Patience

Mark 5:33 - Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at His feet and, trembling with fear, told Him *the whole truth*.

Psalm 107 - Let the redeemed of the Lord say so... Oh, that men would give thanks to the LORD for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men...and declare His works with rejoicing.

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Lesson #4 - A Lesson about Power

Mark 5:30 - Jesus realized that *power had gone out from Him*.

Proverbs 11:24 - One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds what he should give and comes to poverty.

"Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, it will be poured in your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you." (**Luke 6:38**)

Lesson #5 - A Lesson about Giving and Receiving

When you go to Jesus you'll give more and receive more than you ever imagined.

Jesus said to her, "Be of good cheer, daughter; your faith has made you *whole*."

When you go to Jesus, He may ask of you far more than you planned to give, but He will give you infinitely more than you dared ask or think.

Lesson #6 - A Lesson about Victory

Jesus defeated danger with just a word.

Jesus defeated demons with just a word.

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Jesus defeated disease with just a word.

"Be of good cheer daughter; your faith has made you whole."

Mark 5:41 - Taking her by the hand He said to her, "Talitha cumi," which means, "Little girl, get up!"
