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## Community Group Material:

*Bible Reading: Luke 8:40-56*

Ask one person to pray at the beginning of your meeting.

### Check-in

Check in with each other about how everyone is doing.

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### Sermon Summary:

Luke 8:40-56 merges two stories into one: Jairus' daughter & a haemorrhaging woman. In it we see faith on display, faith being tested & faith being testified. Both Jairus & the woman display remarkable faith as they actively & humbly come to Jesus for healing. But Jairus' answer is delayed because of the exchange Jesus has with the woman. What kind of feelings & thoughts arose within him during this delay? His faith was being told to wait! That couldn't have been easy for him. The woman came secretly to Jesus & could have snuck off without anyone knowing she had touched Jesus, but Jesus wants faith to be testified. So before she could sneak off, Jesus asked, "*Who touched me?*" Everyone froze. Some were probably thinking, "*What kind of a dumb question is that to ask when you're surrounded by people?!*" But Jesus' reason for asking was for her to testify of what God had done for her. Her hidden faith needed to come out of its shell.

### Discussion:

1. What is the connection between these 2 healings & that of the demoniac in 8:26-39? What do they all tell us about who Jesus is & what he is capable of?

2. Jairus & the woman overcome obstacles to coming to Jesus. What are they? Watch this video for more insight <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pYEmdFyWBq8>
3. How would you have felt if you were Jairus when Jesus agreed to go to see your dying daughter? When Jesus was interrupted by the woman? When you later heard that your daughter had died? When Jesus said to you, "Don't be afraid. Only believe"? What was Jesus helping Jairus to learn about how things sometimes go with faith ?
4. What lesson did Jesus have for the woman with regards to her faith?
5. One lesson from these two stories is that faith triumphs over fear. How has fear caused you to disbelieve God's ability to help you? How has your knowledge of things (v. 53) caused fear to rise up & resulted in you dismissing what God wants to do?
6. How important has listening to others testify about how Jesus has changed their life been for you? What did it do for your faith, & your willingness to ask God about your own situation?
7. Compare the ending of the demoniac & daughter's stories (8:38-9 & 8:56). One says tell everyone, while the other says tell no one. Are they similar in some way?

**End with Prayer.**

- Pray for our faith to grow deeper as we journey with Jesus.
- Pray for one another's concerns.