



# Messages from a Mugging: Hems of Him


Luke 8:42-48


 Matthew 9:20–21 (NKJV) “...a woman who had a flow of blood for twelve years came from behind and touched the hem of His garment. <sup>21</sup> For she said to herself, “If only I may touch His garment, I shall be made well.”

## TOUCHING HIS HEM

### 1. Jesus gave her something that **cost Him something**.

 Luke 8:42b–46 (NIV) “As Jesus was on His way, the crowds almost crushed Him. <sup>43</sup> And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years, but no one could heal her. <sup>44</sup> She came up behind Him and touched the edge of His cloak, and immediately her bleeding stopped. <sup>45</sup> “Who touched me?” Jesus asked. When they all denied it, Peter said, “Master, the people are crowding and pressing against you.” <sup>46</sup> But Jesus said, “Someone touched me; I know that power has gone out from me.”

 Luke 8:47–48 (NIV) “Then the woman, seeing that she could not go unnoticed, came trembling and fell at His feet. In the presence of all the people, she told why she had touched Him and how she had been instantly healed. <sup>48</sup> Then He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace.”


 Matthew 9:22 (NIV) “Jesus turned and saw her. “Take heart, daughter,” He said, “your faith has healed you.” And the woman was healed from that moment.”

### 2. Jesus gave her something that **didn't cost Him anything**.

 Luke 8:48 (NIV) “...He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace.”

## BEING HEMS OF HIM


### 1. We are **extensions** of Him.

 John 15:5 (NIV) “I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.”

### 2. We are **examples** of Him.

 Luke 10:37 (GW) “...Jesus told him, “Go and imitate his example!”

 John 13:15 (NIV) “I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.”

 1 Corinthians 11:1 (NIV) “Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.”

## IMPACT

- Imitating Christ
- Meeting Needs
- Proclaiming the Good News
- Assimilating people into the church
- Celebrating God
- Teaching the Word of God

What are you desperate for God to do? What is it costing you to follow Christ?



What are you willing to give so that someone can get what they need from Christ? Whom do you know that needs encouragement? Did you know that “Christian” means “little Christ?” When people look at you, do they see Christ? When it is brought to your attention (or to the attention of others) that you somehow blessed someone's life, are you quick to direct the attention to where the blessing ultimately came from? In what ways are you a hem of Him?