Come to Jesus, A story about woman, who is bleeding

Mark 5:25-34

Intro

Let us pray, Heavenly Father. I ask you to send your Holy Spirit to be with us today. Touch our hearts. Please anoint me with your special grace and power, so that I can preach your message with boldness and authority. Use me for your kingdom and glory. Help us to apply this into our ministries. Thank you Lord. We pray in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

According to the Forbes 2015 ranking of the richest people around the globe, Bill Gates is number one, his net worth is 81.1 billion dollars. However, according to (https://www.wealthresult.com/2013/07/top-10-richest-men-of-all-time-in.html), there are top 10 richest people of all time in history. Number 8 was Henry Ford. His net worth was \$ 199 billion. Number 2 was John Rockfeller. His net worth was \$663.4 billion. Number 1. King Solomon. His net worth was \$2.1 trillion.

He was the wealthiest man in history. Along with this, he was given other gifts. 1 King 4:29, "God gave Solomon wisdom and very great insight, and a breadth of understanding as measureless as the sand on the seashore. Solomon's wisdom was greater than the wisdom of all the men of the East, and greater than all the wisdom of Egypt (NIV)." As said, he is the wealthiest man in the history. Also, he was blessed by God. He was a very successful man, who said before he died.

Ecclesiastes 9:1, "So I reflected on all this and concluded that the righteous and the wise and what they do are in God's hands (NIV)." Solomon knew that everything is in God's hands; money, wealth, fame, health, even our lives and death. He knew God controls everything. This means that God has the key to control everything. And thus, Proverb 1:7. "Respect and obey the Lord. This is the beginning of knowledge. Only a fool rejects wisdom and good advice.(CEV)" The bible says everything is in God's hands. God controls everything. And thus we need to seek God and ask his help at all times.

Body

Now we come to the passage. Mark 5:25 says, "in the crowd was a woman who had been bleeding for 12 years." In those days, a person who bled for a long time was in very critical situation. She could die. Have you ever suffered? from any sickness or disease for a long time? Some would see a doctor, while others would go to specialists.

V.26 says, "she had gone to many doctors." This is common. And what happened to her? The bible says, "they(doctors) hadn't done anything except cause her a lot of pain. She had paid them all the money she had. But instead of getting better, she only got worse."

You or your family members might have problems or struggles or suffer from sickness and diseases. You and your family members will have done your best, but may be getting worse. What would you do?

Here is the key. Let us read verse 27. It says, "the woman had heard about Jesus, so she came behind him." She came to Jesus. This is very important. Because in those days a woman who was bleeding was not allowed to be in public. She was regarded as unclean according to the Law of Moses (Leviticus 15:19-31). Why was she there in public? She was desperate. Why did she come to Jesus? She was desperate and suffering. In her world, there was no way she could be healed.

Verse 28 says, "If I can just touch his clothes, I will get well." She believed that if she could touch the clothes of Jesus, she will be healed."

At the age of 15, one day I was not very well. I was sick in bed. I asked an assistant minister to pray for me at a church in Korea. She came to my home and said to me, "Je Cheol. I can pray for you. But you need to have faith in God. If you have faith, you can be healed." As soon as she left, I started praying to God in faith. It took a long time. I did not remember how long it took. My body was wet with sweat. But, the fever was gone. I was healed.

The bible tells us that we may come to Jesus at any time and any circumstances. Because he has got the key. Ask Jesus! He will open the door for you. Ask Jesus. He will heal you. Ask Jesus. He will help you. Verse 29 says, "as soon as she touched them, her bleeding stopped, and she knew she was well."

Simon's mother in law was sick in bed. And Jesus went there and took her by the hand. The bible says, the fever left and she was healed. After this, all the sick and demon-possessed came to Jesus. The bible says, "Jesus healed all kinds of terrible diseases and forced out a lot of demons (Mark 1:34)." Jesus healed all of them, not some of them. When we come to Jesus, he will heal all of them.

She was bleeding for 12 years. She saw many medical doctors, but she was not healed. She was desperate. But she chose to meet Jesus. Sometimes, we see someone, who has decided to give up. They might have said, "This is the end. I have no future and no hope. There is no way or reason why I should live." For instance, some years ago, there was a famous movie star in America, who killed himself. Before he died, there was another famous Korean movie star who also killed herself. Why? They had so much money. They were so famous. Many people liked them. They were my favorite movie stars. So why they killed themselves? They might have thought, "there is no way and reason why I am to live." They did not know Jesus. Jesus says in John 14:6, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." Jesus is the way. That is why need to come to Jesus.

In 1990, when I was a student at a Korean university, I struggled to study and survive. One day I walked into a men's toilet. I saw a biblical passage on the wall. It was Ecclesiastes 12:1, "Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, before the days of trouble come." So I say to all of us, "remember our Lord Jesus before the trouble comes and when you are in trouble.

The bible still tells us that we are to come to see Jesus. John 5:5, "beside the pool was a man who had been sick for 38 years." Can you imagine 38 years? He must have been desperate. Jesus came and said, "do you want to be healed?"

If our Lord asked you, what would you answer? We should say, "Yes, please help." But this man said, "Lord I don't have anyone to put me in the pool." He wanted to be healed, but nobody helped him. If you were in a critical situation, if you were not very well, if you were about to die, what would you say? **LORD, PLEASE HELP ME**.

What did Jesus talk to the man? In verse 8,"pick up your mat and walk."And, verse 9 says,"Straight away the man was healed." He was healed after he followed Jesus. If something happens to you, you need to come to Jesus and ask, "Please Jesus help me."

Everybody has problems; big or small. Would you raise your hand if you have never had a problem? If something goes wrong, you can come to our Lord Jesus. And he will help you out.

He will say. Our Lord is still talking to you, "do you have any problems? Can I help you?"

Matthew 11:28,"if you are tired from carrying heavy burdens, come to me and I will give you rest." I heard this story from my dad. In 1960, an old Korean woman was going home carrying a heavy bag on her head. On the way, she saw a soldier of US army passing by. All of a sudden, he stopped his truck and talked to her, "Can I help you, madam? I can take you home." She got into the truck, but she was still carrying the heavy bag on her head. A few minutes later, he said to the woman, "why don't you take the bag down. It is heavy" She gently said, "I really thank you for giving me a ride, but how can I take this down. I don't want to give this burden to you. I should carry this bag by myself" What can we learn from this? Are you still carrying your bag by yourself? Why don't you give all of your worries, anxieties, and problems onto Jesus? He will care for you. It is his job. And he will give you rest.

Let's think about the woman who was bleeding for 12 years. She had seen many doctors. She paid much money. But she was not healed. Later, she heard about Jesus and she came to Jesus. Jesus healed her completely.

What actually happened when she came to Jesus? And now we see what is happening. Verse 30, "at that moment Jesus felt power go out from him. He turned to the crowd and asked, who touched my clothes?" Verse 31 says, "his disciples said to him, look at all these

people." And the woman came to Jesus in verse 33,"she came shaking with fear and knelt down in front of Jesus."And Jesus said in verse 34, "Daughter, your faith has healed you."

Faith is very important. The woman came to Jesus by faith. Hebrews 11:6 (NIV). "without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists."

What will you do if something happens in your lives? You are struggling; frustrated; worried about something, suffering and have problems. No matter what happens. We need to come to our Lord Jesus. Simon's mother in law had a fever. And Jesus healed. There were many who suffered from all kinds of sicknesses and diseases. They came to Jesus. And Jesus healed them all. That is why we need to come to Jesus. A man who was sick for 38 years was healed after he saw Jesus.

Look at the woman, who was bleeding for 12 years. She was struggled. There was no one who could help her. Sadly, any medical doctors could not heal her. She might have lost everything. But she never gave up. At that time, she heard about Jesus. When you are in a critical situation, you are on the right time. You need to see Jesus.

Come to Jesus. And touch him. He will come to you and he will heal you.

Let us pray to God. Heavenly Father, we see that the woman, who was bleeding for 12 years, was in a critical situation. She might have been thinking about suiciding, because she had no hope. Then, she heard about Jesus. She ignored the rules and came to Jesus and touched his clothes. She did not care for others, but she was afraid. Jesus said, "your faith has healed you." Help us the same faith that she had, so that we can be healed and work for your kingdom and your glory. Thank you Father, we pray in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.