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“Pressing Through, Thoroughly Pressed”

Luke 8:40-56

Comparison and Contrast

	Jairus and his daughter	The hemorrhaging woman
Subject	Young girl	Older woman
Ceremonial Status	Synagogue leader: clean	Perpetually unclean (Lev 15:19-30)
Time	Daughter twelve years old	Condition for twelve years
Jesus' Touch	Jesus touches the girl's hand	The woman touches Jesus' tassel
Blood	Starts blood flowing again	Stops flowing blood
Publicity	Behind closed doors	Brings testimony into full view
Faith	Encourages Jairus' faltering faith	Commends the faith of the woman

Lessons

Jesus meets us where we are and unfolds a story unique to each of us

Two ways to touch Jesus: proximity and intentional: 8:45-46

Two ways Jesus touches us: becoming reachable or reaching out to us: 8:44,54

Long waits and interruptions do not negate Jesus' active presence: 8:43,49

Banking on Jesus against the odds is what *saves* us every time: 8:48, 50

Pressing through, thoroughly pressed, we reach for the prize: Phil 4:14