

INTRO

- What was your favourite super hero growing up?
- If you could have one super power, what would it be?
- Have you ever experienced a divine healing or miracle?

READ ONE OF...

Mark 5:1-20 – The Gadarene Demoniac
 Mark 5:21-34 – The Woman with the issue of blood
 Mark 5:35-43 – Jairus’ Daughter

These three stories represent desperate situation for desperate people.

REFLECT

Jesus taught about the kingdom of God but He also demonstrated His deity and displayed the power of the kingdom.

At the end of Mark 4, we read that Jesus spoke and stilled the storm. In this chapter, He turned His attention to the inner storms of people’s lives.

Qu: Do you find it hard to believe that Jesus can demonstrate His power today?

In each of these accounts of people needing a miracle from Jesus, we see both the people reaching towards Jesus and Jesus reaching towards them.

They had no power within themselves over their situation. They needed a demonstration of God’s power. However, they did each in their own way reach out in faith.

“Daughter, your faith has made you well” v 34

“do not fear, only believe” v 36

“And without faith it is impossible to please God” Hebrews 11:6a

Qu: Why do you think God requires our faith? Why doesn’t He just do it?

“Flesh presses, faith touches. He can always distinguish between the jostle of a curious mob and the agonized touch of a needy soul” – Augustine

RESPOND

- What encouraged and challenged you the most from today’s discussion?
- How can you practically apply what you’re learning to your personal life?

PRAY

- Pray for one another for more of God’s kingdom power to be manifested.