

STAYING IN FAITH – 3
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JEREMIAH 17:5

Last Wednesday I defined the curse the prophet spoke of as being the limitations of man. The example being Moses at the Red Sea. Man didn't have time to build a boat, bridge, airplane or rescue helicopter to save their lives. Man is a finite or limited being, whereas, God is an unlimited, infinite being, having no limitations whatsoever. **1 KINGS 8:27** God is so massive, even the universe can't contain Him. So why limit ourselves to what man can do, when God made Himself available to us?

JEREMIAH 9:23-24 (NLT)

No matter how smart man is, how strong he is, or how wealthy he is, he can't even come close to how mighty God is. Therefore, our boasting should be in that we know God. In that we know His heart and His care and concern for His own.

PSALMS 78:40-43, 56

God doesn't want us to limit what He can do in our lives. He doesn't want us to trust only in what man can do. He wants us to trust Him.

MARK 5:25-34

1. Things she suffered.

- A. "Take gum of Alexandria, of alum, crocus, hortensis, the weight of zuzee each; let them be bruised together, and given in wine. But if this fails:
- B. Take of Persian onions nine logs, boil them in wine, and give it her to drink: and say, arise from thy flux.
- C. Set her in a place where two ways meet, and let her hold a cup of wine in her hand; and let somebody come behind her and affright her and say, arise from thy flux.
- D. Take a handful of cummin and a handful of crocus, and a handful of faenu – Greek; let them be boiled and given her to drink, and say, arise from thy flux.
- E. Dig seven trenches, and burn in them some cuttings of vines not yet circumcised; and let her take in her hand a cup of wine, and let her be led from this trench and set down over another: and in each removal say unto her, arise from thy flux.

2. Lessons to learn.

- A. She was desperate for healing.
- B. Her health was more important than her wealth.
- C. What she heard produced tremendous faith.
- D. She exalted revelation above religion.
- E. She wasn't deterred by obstacles.
- F. She wasn't controlled by fear.
- G. Faith unleashes God's healing power.
- H. Jesus acknowledged her faith, not His power.
- I. Faith brings wholeness and peace. "Be whole" means to continue being whole, at peace, healthy and well.
- J. It's not the physical touch that heals. It's the touch of faith.
- K. Man is limited.

CONCLUSION:

Faith has three major components" Hearing, believing and acting. The primary action being speaking. The Name of Jesus is above covid-19. We must hear it, believe it, say it and act like it's true. 300 have died and 1000 fallen ill after taking a coronavirus cure drug. Man is limited and trusting him exclusively can be a curse.