

# Going Deeper

Your weekly guide to understanding God with others

## This is Us - Part 3

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### Introduction

Jesus was always intentional in His ministry. Regardless of the circumstances, He demonstrated genuine love to those whom He encountered day to day.

In the gospel of Luke, we read the story of Jesus surrounded by crowds, within which was a woman who had suffered from bleeding for the past twelve years. As soon as she touches his robe, Jesus intentionally stops and heals her. He then intentionally goes to Jairus' house, showing love to Jairus' family.

While we are isolating ourselves this week, there are still ways for us to be intentional in showing love and care to others.

### Bible Passage

Luke 8:40-56

### Discussion

1. Read Luke 8:43-44. What could be some of the social challenges this woman had to deal with daily to this point in her life? We can say that she touched Jesus' robe out of faith (v.48), but why did she fall to her knees in front of Him?
2. In your current reality, what is one challenge that God wants you to surrender and bring to His feet right now? What has hindered you from doing so?
3. Read Luke 8:51. Why did Jesus only allow Peter, John and James along with the little girl's parents? Who are the people around you that you consider to be your 'Peter, John and James'? Why? How did you get to that level of relationship with them? Share your story.

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4. Read Luke 8:55-56. Jesus told them to give Jairus' daughter something to eat and for them to not tell anyone. Why? What do we see about extended family in this part of the passage? What does 'extended family' mean to you in your context?
5. Jesus didn't help the woman and Jairus' family with financial care. We all have much to offer to others in need besides money. What is something practical that you can do to help people around you this week? What help might you need? How can your Life Group help each other and our broader community in times like these?

### **Respond**

Time and time again we see that Jesus performs miracles, such as casting demons, stopping a woman from bleeding and even raising the dead back to life. What Jesus did stems from His love for us. As disciples of Jesus, we are all called to show genuine love and care toward others. This week, let's be 'promptable'. Who is one person or family that God wants you to reach out to? Get in touch with them, see how they are doing. Pick up the phone and call them. Show care and love, because in such a time as this, you may just be the only person in their life to do so.