

**FOCUS:** This summer, we're taking a look at some everyday encounters of people who came face-to-face with Jesus. As we eavesdrop on these encounters, we hope that in coming face-to-face with Jesus, we will in turn treat every **face we face** with the love and compassion of Jesus. **This week**, we learn from Jesus and the bleeding woman.

1. How is acute and chronic suffering different and similar? What are some examples of each around you, or of your own?
2. Slowly read [Mark 5:25-34](#) twice. As you reflect on the passage, what about the woman and Jesus stands out to you the most?
3. What are your thoughts on this biblical healing versus healing in our current times? What causes you belief or unbelief about healing? How is the healing in [Mark 5:35-42](#) similar and different to the bleeding woman?
4. Revisit [Mark 5:26-29](#). Laurie Short, our guest speaker, stated, "*She chose to get close to Jesus and it brought healing and freedom.*" What holds you back from getting close to Jesus when trapped in acute or chronic suffering? What steps could you take to get closer to Jesus?
5. Who around you is challenged with an acute or chronic suffering? How might you be like Jesus (felt, saw, stopped, let other needs go, healed) to them? What role could prayer play?

**ACTION Options:**

1. Read **Gracism** - Chapter 6.
2. Participate in the PCC Online Gracism Book Club  
[facebook.com/groups/pccbookclub](https://www.facebook.com/groups/pccbookclub)
3. Pray: Lord, may I trust your healing power, receive it, and apply it to those around me.