



The word *significance* = “to have meaning or to have a sense of fulfillment”

- When Jesus touched people’s lives, He gave them a sense of worth.
- Jesus is the greatest example of reaching out to people we will ever find.

Luke 8:43-50 NLT

- What our culture discreetly refers to as a “female condition” had devastated this Jewish woman’s life: sexually, maternally, domestically, spiritually, physically, and socially.
- She says, “If I can just touch Jesus, I’ll be made whole.” But first she had to get through the crowd that stood between her and him.
- She finally got to Jesus and two things happened:
 1. Jesus made her whole. Her faith brought His immediate response.
 2. She’s the only woman he ever called “daughter.”
- Jesus touched this woman’s life more than physically. When He called her “daughter,” significance and fulfillment began to flood her being.
- Jesus’ attention to this woman changed her life, turned her life around.
- He gave her life meaning and a reason to live.
- There are people like this woman who feel worthless inside – probably some right here in this room...all around us.
- Many times all it takes to lift a person is a touch from someone - a kind word; a prayer of healing.

Mark 10:45 NLT – We are the Body of Christ.

Philippians 2:4 NLT

- After Jesus ascended to Heaven, the responsibility to reach out and touch people’s lives was handed to us. When we do, there is a deep fulfillment that comes.
 - o We are moved with compassion: **Matthew 9:35-38 NKJV.**
- A large part of our fulfillment comes from intentionally reaching out to others.

John 8:1-12 NLT

- This woman probably hated what she had become and the situation she was in.
- Jesus loved this woman instead of condemning her.

Loving someone opens the door of the heart and brings the light of the Truth to them.

For Discussion:

1. Perhaps you need the compassion of Jesus to change you. Have people pray for you and all those who are in need of a touch from Jesus.
2. Pray also that love and compassion toward others would be active and stirred up in everyone’s life.
3. Share stories of anyone who was able to show Jesus’ love this week to someone.