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People Spot Missile: Who Touched Me?

A woman had been sick for years. She had spent all she had on the doctors of the day. They could do nothing for her. She heard about Jesus and thought, “if I can just touch the hem of his garment, I will be healed.” She worked her way through the crowd and reached out her hand and touched the hem of his cloak. Immediately, she felt the rush of healing go through her body.

Jesus was walking down a crowded street. He suddenly stopped and said, “Who touched me?” The disciples were surprised and said, “What do you mean, who touched you? The street is crowded with people. Many people touched you.” Jesus responded, “Virtue has gone out of me!” I can just imagine the fear the woman must have felt when she heard the words, “Who touched me?” I can see this lady on her knees with fear in her heart. But as she looked up into the face of the Savior and saw the compassion in his eyes, she knew there was no cause for fear. She could see the love in his eyes and knew that everything was fine and she was healed. She reached out and touched him and was made whole again,

TOUCHING JESUS by John Stallings

Vs 1:

A woman tried many physicians,
Yet grew worse, so to Jesus she came;
And when the crowd tried to restrain her,
She whispered these words thro 'her pain:--

Chorus:

"Touching Jesus is all that matters,"
Then your life will never be the same;
There is only one way to touch Him,
Just believe when you call on His name.

Vs 2:

I was bound when I knelt at that old altar,
But they said Jesus could meet ev'ry need;
And when this pris'ner fin'ly touched Jesus,
He set me free, praise the Lord, free indeed!

On March 25, 2012 I went into the hospital. I was very ill. It took me a week to understand how sick I really was during that first week. I am very grateful to the doctors and nurses who provided care for me. But, I know in my heart that it was the touch of Jesus that healed me. I

have been around a long time. I know that all healing comes from Him. I reached out my hand and Jesus touched me and made me whole. I praise His holy name.

LET ME TOUCH HIM by Rev, V. B. (Vep) Ellis

Vs 1:

Let me touch Him, let me touch Jesus,
Let me touch Him as He passes by;
Then when I shall reach out to others,
They shall know Him, they shall live and not die.

Chorus:

O to be His hand extended,
Reaching out to the oppress'd!
Let me touch Him, let me touch Jesus,
So that others may know and be blessed.

Vs 2:

I was straying so far from Jesus,
I was lonely--had no peace within;
Then the hand of my Savior touched me,
Now I'm reaching to others in sin.

No matter what you may be facing, the hand of Jesus is there to help you. If you don't know where to turn, He will guide you. If you are discouraged and thinking all is lost, He will encourage. If you are ill and not sure what the end will be, He will heal you. Sometimes He heals you to serve Him further as He did me. Other times He provides the ultimate healing and takes you home to be with Him. I have served in the church as a pastor since I was 18 years old. I began to preach at a little church outside of Findlay, Ohio beginning on December 7, 1958. The road has not always been easy. There have been wins and losses. There were times when I simply didn't know where to turn. In those times the hand of Jesus was extended to me and he lifted me up and helped me on my way again.

This Missile is different than any other I have written. I am sharing my story and witness of how I endured a significant illness with the help of our precious Lord Jesus. My purpose for the rest of my life is to glorify His glorious name. I have included the story of the woman who was healed and three songs that have come to mean a lot to me in the past five months. He touched me and made me whole! He will do the same for you.

HE TOUCHED ME by William J. Gaither

Vs 1:

Shackled by a heavy burden,
'Neath a load of guilt and shame;
Then the hand of Jesus touched me,
And now I am no longer the same.

Chorus:

He touched me, O, He touched me,
And O, the joy that floods my soul!
Something happened, and now I know,

He touched me and made me whole.

Vs 2:

Since I met this blessed Savior,
Since He cleansed and made me whole;
I will never cease to praise Him--
I'll shout it while eternity rolls.

A Thought: "...Jesus is always there for us. Government will fail us. Systems will fail us. Friends will fail us. But, there is one who will never fail. Reach out and touch the hem of his garment..." Jim Moss, Sr.

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