

# Luke

## See Jesus

### “Oh Yes, He Cares”

#### Luke 8:40-56

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#### I. You need to remember that we have an all-powerful, all-compassionate Savior!

This passage shows us that Jesus not only had the power to perform miracles, but also the compassionate desire to do so.

Jesus' Power	Jesus' Compassion
“...for I perceive that power has gone out from Me.” (Luke 8:46)	“...As Jesus went...” (Luke 8:42)
“...your faith has made you well...” (Luke 8:48)	“...Who was it that touched Me?... Someone touched me...” (Luke 8:45,46)
“...only believe and she will be well.” (Luke 8:50)	“...Daughter, go in peace.” (Luke 8:48)
“...Child, arise.” (Luke 8:54)	“...Do not fear...” (Luke 8:50)
	“But taking her by the hand...” (Luke 8:54)
	And He directed that something should be given her to eat. (Luke 8:55)

#### II. You're not just “part of the whole.” You're loved and cared for as a person; an individual child of God.

A. Jesus was willing to be interrupted if it meant He could put His love & power on display.

**Luke 8:41-42** “...And falling at Jesus’ feet, he implored him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As Jesus went, the people pressed around him.”

B. Crowds don't get Jesus' attention. People do.

**Luke 8:45-46** “And Jesus said, ‘**Who was it that touched Me?**’ When all denied it, Peter said, ‘Master, the crowds surround You and are pressing in on You!’ - But Jesus said, ‘**Someone touched Me**, for I perceive that power has gone out from Me.’”

C. Jesus isn't so flock-focused that He doesn't have time for a sheep in need.

**Luke 8:48, 54** “And He said to her, ‘Daughter...’ - But taking her by the hand He called, saying, ‘Child, arise.’”

### III. Jesus is more than a miracle-worker. He's the crucified and risen Savior!

**Luke 8:56** “And her parents were amazed, but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.”

Jesus didn't want His ministry to be hindered by everyone thinking He was a miracle-worker. That falls woefully short of the fact that He came to die for sinners and rise again so we might be saved.

**1 Corinthians 2:1-2** “And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.”

**Galatians 6:14** “But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.”

**1 Corinthians 15:3-4** “For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.”

#### **Questions for Personal Reflection and/or Community Group Discussion:**

1. Would those closest to you describe you as a compassionate person? Why or why not?
2. Pastor Peter said “Crowds don't get Jesus' attention. People do.” What does that mean?
3. Why is it significant that Jesus loves you as a unique, individual child of God instead of just “part of the whole?”
4. How do you think Jesus was feeling throughout this passage?
5. What can you learn and apply from the personal aspect of Jesus' ministry?