

NOT THE CLOAK

WEEK 3
Luke 8:40-48



Power up!
















Look around you. Do you have 1, 2 or more gadgets or appliances in your house?
Gadgets or appliances are things that can help make our life easier or more fun.

Different gadgets and appliances work using different power sources.

Be a little investigator and check how these things around your house work.

Fill in the chart below.
Write the gadget/ appliance name.
Circle and/or draw the "power source". (Some may have more than 1 power source.)

Power sources are very useful to us in daily life. We will read in the Bible that we have an ultimate and never-ending source of power in the person of Jesus.

Gadget / Appliance	Power Source
1.	   _____ battery electricity power bank (others)
2.	   _____ battery electricity power bank (others)
3.	   _____ battery electricity power bank (others)
4.	   _____ battery electricity power bank (others)
5.	   _____ battery electricity power bank (others)



Let's read Luke 8:40-48

40 Now when Jesus returned, the crowd welcomed him, for they were all waiting for him. 41 And there came a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue. And falling at Jesus' feet, he implored him to come to his house, 42 for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying.

As Jesus went, the people pressed around him. 43 And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, and though she had spent all her living on physicians, she could not be healed by anyone. 44 She came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment, and immediately her discharge of blood ceased. 45 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!" 46 But Jesus said, "Someone touched me, for I perceive that power has gone out from me." 47 And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed.

Imagine this woman who has been bleeding for a long time. In those days, this kind of sickness made people stay away from her and it kept her out of public places like markets, parks, etc. because she was considered "unclean", an outcast. She must have felt really sad & lonely and desperate for healing. She risked going with the crowds even if she knew that people did not want to see her there. She thought, "If I could only reach out and try to touch Jesus, I would be healed." When she finally got close to Jesus, she touched his cloak and guess what happened? True enough, her bleeding stopped!

So, how do you think she was healed? Jesus' cloak? Perhaps it was made from a special material? Or perhaps it had special power? The truth is the cloak did not have any power at all! The power came from Jesus as He clearly said in verse 46

"Someone touched me, for I perceive that power has gone out from me."

And it was also because the woman had faith!

48 And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace."

In the woman's heart, she believed that only JESUS HAD THE POWER to heal her and to give her the faith to believe. Jesus builds up our faith when we look only to Him.

Just like this woman, God is able to work in our life when we have faith only in Him.



Parent to Kid/s:

2-6 years old

- Do you have a battery-operated toy? Tell us about it and what it can do.

7-12 years old

- Recall a time when your gadget ran out of power. What did you do?

Kid/s to Parent:

- Have you ever asked God for a miracle? What was it?

- Was there a time your car/ computer/ cellphone (or a very useful thing) broke down and you needed to pray about it? What happened?

Just like the battery-operated toys, we also need to be connected to a power source. For some of us, we may think our source of stability is our jobs, our finances, our position or even the people we know. For kids, it may be grades in school, abilities in sports, skill or talent in arts, or any other thing. While all that may be partially true, we have to realize that behind all of those is God who makes all things possible. It is He who gives us the knowledge and ability to perform well in our jobs in order to earn for our families. It is He who gives us the ability to do well in school or in our favorite sport. He is the source of who we are!



Dear God, You are my true source of healing, power and strength. Please give me the faith to believe in You. Teach me not to depend on things nor people, instead teach me to look to YOU at all times for all I need. In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.



Do you know that Jesus showed His power of healing through different ways?

by laying hands on people (Luke 4:40)

by commanding (John 5:8-9)

by speaking (John 4:49-50)

by faith triggers (John 9:6-7; Luke 17:14)

by word of knowledge (Mark 9:25)

by perseverance (Mark 8:22-26)

power just flowed from Jesus (Luke 6:19)

But no matter how they were healed, the people needed to have faith in Jesus. For without faith, Jesus cannot do any miracles (Mark 6:5).

Do you believe in the power of Jesus? Will you come to Him?

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