



## **Sermon Discussion Questions**

Sunday, October 2, 2011

Open Doors

Huntersville: Mitch White

Davidson: Michael Flake

### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

Over three weeks, 9.25.2011-10.2.2011, there will be three different sermons preached at both the Huntersville Campus and the Davidson Campus. One by Mike Moses, another by Michael Flake and the last by Mitch White. Depending on the campus you attend, they will each be preached on a different week. But over these these weeks, all campuses will have heard each sermon.

**The following questions are for the sermon on Luke 8:40-50; From Isolation to Inclusion by Mitch White. It was preached at Huntersville on October 2 and Davidson on October 9th.**

### **Introduce it:**

As you listened to this sermon, who in the crowd did you most identify with and why? Who are people in your life that are like each character in the crowd that was identified?

### **Revisit it: learn the passage preached on.**

Read the passage again as a group: Luke 8:40-56

We named 4 people in the crowd during the sermon. Are there others you imagined were in the crowd? Describe them and why you think they were in this crowd.

What are all the things that are similar about the stories of the bleeding woman and Jairus' daughter? What are the things that are different?

Why do you think Jesus would expose the bleeding woman and allow her to tell about her healing but warn those in the room when he brought the 12 year old girl back from the dead to not tell anyone? (Hint: why was it so important that the bleeding woman tell her story to the crowd?)

What do you imagine life being like for this woman the past 12 years?

Read this account in Mark 5:21-43. What different information is given in this account that is helpful to know?

### **Relook at it: see other places in the Bible that speak to sermon.**

Leviticus Law describes how people had to treat the woman due to her bleeding.

Read Leviticus 15:19-31

What is most important to recognize that this woman can't do? In light of this, why was it such a huge deal that she was even in the crowd that day?

How is this story a picture of the redemption of Jesus?

### **Use it: don't just learn the passage but use it.**

In the sermon, 4 types of people were identified. One of those were people that were like Peter, following and helping Jesus get to the next place of ministry. Who are the people that Jesus is calling you to be interrupted by? How this week will you seek them out?

If you identified yourself as a person that is just glad to be in the crowd, take a step this week to find a place to serve and to be around people that are in crisis to care for them; or just to serve those that need to be loved on. Get closer to Jesus in these ways.

**Remember it: memorize a verse that helps you to remember and use it.**

This week, try to memorize Luke 8:48, *"Then he said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace.'"*

Write it on a note card and put on your bathroom mirror or on the dashboard of your car. If you have children, talk about this passage with them and tell them you need their help to memorize this verse. Ask them to memorize it with you. Let them quiz you during the week.