

I. Jesus takes our frailty upon Himself

- A. a young woman at the threshold of grown-up life is dying
- B. the woman with the bleeding
- C. she pushes through the crowd to touch the edge of Jesus' garments, and is healed

II. Jesus takes our loneliness upon Himself

- A. the woman with the bleeding – cut off from ordinary life
- B. Jairus' house
- C. don't believe the crowd
- D. a daughter restored to her family – even eating with them
- E. an outcast woman declared "Daughter"
- F. Faith: risk-taking confidence that God can make you whole

III. Jesus takes our death upon Himself

- A. Jesus' help appears to come too late
- B. Jesus touches the dead girl and gives her life

IV. Jesus takes our estrangement from God upon Himself

- A. Two aspects of faith: believing and acknowledging Jesus
- B. These burdens point beyond themselves
- C. Some people say: "I can't believe in an angry God who blasts people for their mistakes." Three things wrong with that objection.
 - i. It assumes our "mistakes" are pretty innocent (when we know that they're not).
 - ii. It ignores the fact that anger is often the right reaction! (To oppression, to racism, to corruption, etc.)
 - iii. It ignores the big point: God deals with His righteous anger at our sins by *taking it upon Himself*.
- D. This broken relationship with God requires a deep solution: Jesus has to take them on Himself. (Proverbs 8:30; Psalm 38:11; Isaiah 6:1-6)