Close Encounter February 12, 2017

As Jesus went, there was a woman who 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. She came up behind Jesus and touched the fringe of his garment, and immediately her discharge of blood ceased...And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." - Luke 8:42-44, 48 (ESV)

When you Encounter God, you will never be the same!

To Encounter God you must...

Seek Him!

You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart. **I** will be found by you, declares the Lord.

- Jeremiah 29:13-14 (ESV)

Seek His Word!

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the **Word was God**. - John 1:1 (ESV)

The word of God, *you see*, is **alive and moving**.

- Hebrews 4:12 (Voice)

"Be still, and know that **I** am God." - Psalm 46:10 (ESV)

Seek to Serve!

And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, **you did it to me**.' - Matthew 25:40 (ESV)

Seek His Community!

"For where two or three gather in my name, **there am<u>I</u>** with them." - Matthew 18:20 (NIV)

Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed. If one person falls, the other can reach out and help. But someone who falls alone is in real trouble. Likewise, two people lying close together can keep each other warm. But how can one be warm alone? A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken.

- Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 (NLT)