

*“And when they were gone over, they came into the land of Gennesaret. And when the men of that place had knowledge of him, they sent out into all that country round about, and brought unto Him all that were diseased; And besought Him that they might only touch the hem of His Garment: **And As Many As Touched** were made perfectly whole.” *Matthew 14:34-36 KJV**



God's Power is never, not! It is so infinite it infects and affects all in His Presence, including His apparel! Those in Gennesaret had obviously heard of the woman who "touched" Jesus and was healed, and they were confident it was all that was needed for healing. The effects of His Power were portrayed for all. All of Creation proclaims it incessantly. *“The heavens declare the Glory of God; and the firmament sheweth His Handywork. DAY UNTO DAY uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.”* God simply IS, and by His Existence all else becomes! *“[Christ] is the Image of the invisible God, the Firstborn of every creature: For by Him were All things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: ALL THINGS were created by Him, and for Him: And He is before all things, and BY HIM ALL THINGS CONSIST.”* All life, substance, and energy are, because God is. *“ALL THINGS were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made.”* That being established, do you suppose that healing is also of, by, and for God? Is this perhaps the reasons behind what we consider “unanswered” prayer? If it pleases God, it will be; if it doesn't please Him, it will not. It is wise to keep this in mind when we approach God for any reason. *“And this is the confidence that we have in Him, that, if we ask any thing according to His Will, He heareth us: And if we know that He hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of Him.”* This is why it is imperative to know your Bible, so you can affect proper communication with Eternity's Sovereign. Our confidence is directly proportional to our familiarity with His Commands and Power. Then we can reach out and “touch” our Lord's Garment for healing! Or just maybe, He'll touch you!

Twas battered and scarred, and the auctioneer thought it scarcely worth his while
To waste much time on the old violin, but held it up with a smile.
"What am I bidden, good folks," he cried, "Who'll start the bidding for me?"
"A dollar, a dollar. Then two! Only two? Two dollars, and who'll make it three?"
"Three dollars, once; three dollars, twice; Going for three..." But no,
From the room, far back, a grey-haired man came forward and picked up the bow;
Then wiping the dust from the old violin, and tightening the loosened strings,
He played a melody pure and sweet, as a caroling angel sings.
The music ceased, and the auctioneer, with a voice that was quiet and low,
Said: "What am I bid for the old violin?" and he held it up with the bow.
"A thousand dollars, and who'll make it two? Two thousand! And who'll make it three?
Three thousand, once; three thousand, twice, and going and gone," said he.
The people cheered, but some of them cried, "We do not quite understand.
What changed its worth?" Swift came the reply: "The touch of the Master's hand."
And many a man with life out of tune, and battered and scarred with sin,
Is auctioned cheap to the thoughtless crowd: Much like the old violin.
A "mess of pottage," a glass of wine, a game — and he travels on.
He is "going" once, and "going" twice, he's "going" and almost "gone."
But the Master comes, and the foolish crowd never can quite understand
The worth of a soul and the change that is wrought by the touch of the Master's hand. —Myra Welch