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As many as touched him were made whole. Mark 6:56

Many of us try to have a regular quiet time. As we do so, may each of us touch at least the hem of His garment and rece ive wholeness in the matter for which we seek Him (Matthew 9:20).

One knows when this has occurred. It is a day when something happens that is different from just reading our Bible or d evotional book, or even just praying and asking for the thing.

We touch Him, and all is changed.

What happens? And who can tell how it happens?

We only know that something has passed from Him to us. For example:

- Courage to do the difficult task we feared.
- Patience to bear with that one particular trying person.
- Inner strength to go on when we were sure we could not.
- A sweet freshness in our spirit, complete inner happiness, deep-flowing peace.

God's way of passing by, of letting His "hem" come near us, is to take some single word in His Book and make it breathe spirit and life to us. Then, relying upon that word--meditating, feeding our soul on it--we find it is suddenly possible to go from strength to strength.

True, there is always some new, even daily challenge in our lives which calls for revitalized faith. And we can choose to go on with God. But He always passes by. There is always the word waiting in His Book, which will meet us where we ar e and carry us further on. True, it will be a fight to the end--Paul calls it "the good fight of faith" (1 Timothy 6:12). But full provision is made from victory in that fight.

And so, whether the struggle that engages us has to do with out inner life or our outward circumstances, there is nothing to fear. "For our Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom" (Luke 12:32).

We need never, and by His grace we shall never, be defeated.

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