



Four Women of Faith



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❖ *RISEN by the LORD's Apostle (Saint Peter)*

1

The Bleeding Woman



While He spoke these things to them, behold, a ruler came and worshiped Him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay Your hand on her and she will live.” So

Jesus arose and followed him, and so did His disciples. **And suddenly, a woman who had a flow of blood for twelve years came from behind and touched the hem of His garment. For she said to herself,**

“If only I may touch His garment, I shall be made well.”

But Jesus turned around, and when He saw her He said, “Be of good cheer, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And the woman was made well from that hour.

When Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the flute players and the noisy crowd wailing, He said to them, “Make room, for the girl is not dead, but sleeping.” And they ridiculed Him. But when the crowd was put outside, He went in and took her by the hand, and the girl arose. And the report of this went out into all that land.


Matthew 9

Also see Mark 5 and

Luke 8

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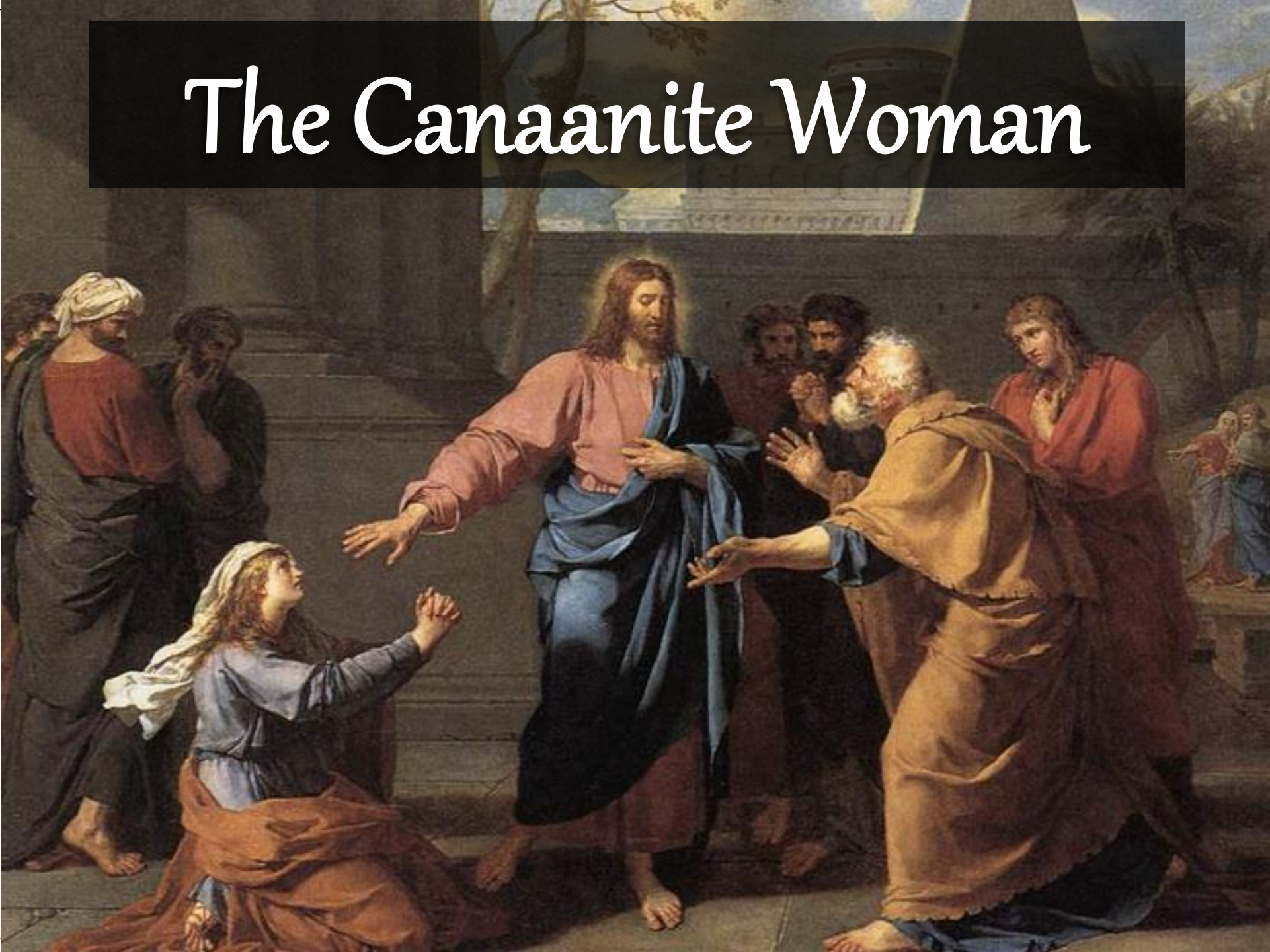
FAITH in the LORD
leads me to TOUCH HIM

A woman in a purple robe and white headscarf is kneeling on the ground, reaching out with her right hand to touch the hem of a white garment. She has a look of intense faith and hope. The background shows other people in similar attire, suggesting a crowd. The scene is set outdoors with natural lighting.

“If only I may touch His garment, I shall be
made well.”

2

The Canaanite Woman



Then Jesus went out from there and departed to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a woman of Canaan came from that region and cried out to Him, saying, ***“Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! My daughter is severely demon-possessed.”***

But He answered her not a word.

And His disciples came and urged Him, saying, ***“Send her away, for she cries out after us.”***

But He answered and said, *“I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.”*

Then she came and worshiped Him, saying,
“Lord, help me!”

But He answered and said,
***“It is not good to take the children’s
bread and throw it to the little dogs.”***

And she said, ***“Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the
crumbs which fall from their masters’ table.”***

Then Jesus answered and said to her,
***“O woman, great is your faith!
Let it be to you as you desire.”***

And her daughter was healed from that very hour.

2

FAITH in the Lord
leads me to HUMBLY pray



“even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from
their masters’ table”

Learning from 1st & 2nd Women of Faith

Faith in the Lord

leads me to

Touch the Lord

and to

Humbly pray to the Lord

“ F. T. H. ” reminds me ...

F = Faith

T = Touch

H = Humble

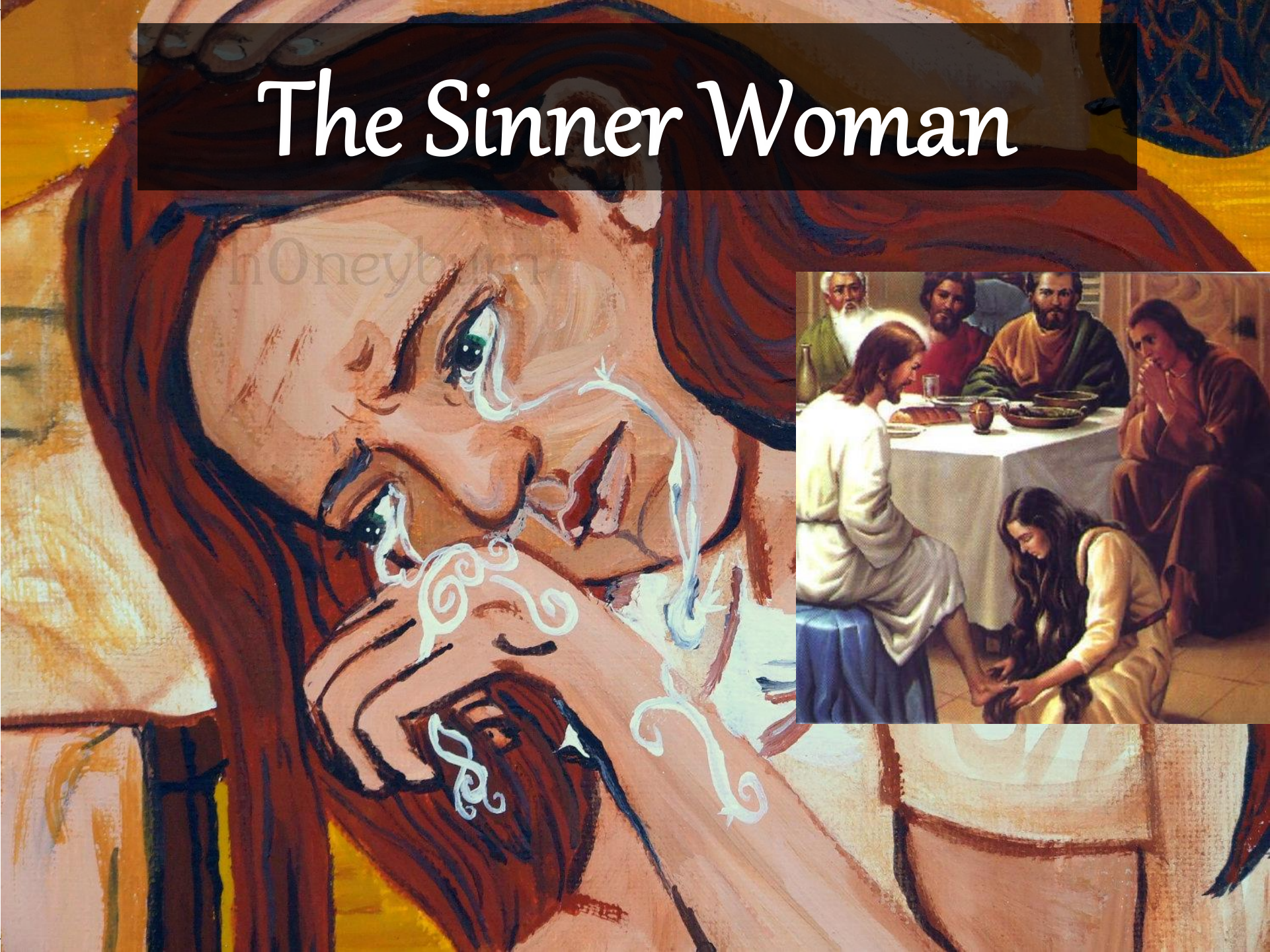
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The Sinner Woman



Then one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He went to the Pharisee's house, and sat down to eat. And behold, **a woman in the city who was a sinner**, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee's house, **brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil**, and **stood at His feet** behind Him **weeping**; **and she began to wash His feet with her tears**, and wiped them with the hair of her head; **and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil**.

Luke 7

Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he spoke to himself, saying, *“This Man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner.”*

And Jesus answered and said to him, ***“Simon, I have something to say to you.”*** So he said, *“Teacher, say it.”*

“There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more?”

Luke 7

Simon answered and said, *“I suppose the one whom he forgave more.”* And He said to him, ***“You have rightly judged.”*** Then He turned to the woman and said to Simon, ***“Do you see this woman? I entered your house;***

- *you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has washed My feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head.*
- *You gave Me no kiss, but this woman has not ceased to kiss My feet since the time I came in.*
- *You did not anoint My head with oil, but this woman has anointed My feet with fragrant oil.*

*Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many,
are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom
little is forgiven, the same loves little.”*

Then He said to her, ***“Your sins are forgiven.”***

And those who sat at the table with Him began to say
to themselves, ***“Who is this who even forgives sins?”***

Then He said to the woman,

“Your faith has saved you. Go in peace.”

3

LOVING the Lord
leads me to REPENT



“her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for
she loved much.”

4

Tabitha

This woman was full of good works and
charitable deeds



At Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas. **This woman was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did.** But it happened in those days that she became sick and died.

When they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. And since Lydda was near Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent two men to him, imploring him not to delay in coming to them.

Then Peter arose and went with them. When he had come, they brought him to the upper room. **And all the widows stood by him weeping, showing the tunics and garments which Dorcas had made** while she was with them.

But Peter put them all out, and knelt down and prayed. And turning to the body he said, **“Tabitha, arise.”** And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up.

Then he gave her his hand and lifted her up; and when he had called the saints and widows, he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed on the Lord.

4

LOVING the Lord
leads me to GIVE

This woman was full of good works and
charitable deeds



Learning from 3rd & 4th Women of Faith

Love for the Lord

leads me to

Repent (return to Him)

and to

Give (generously & forgive)

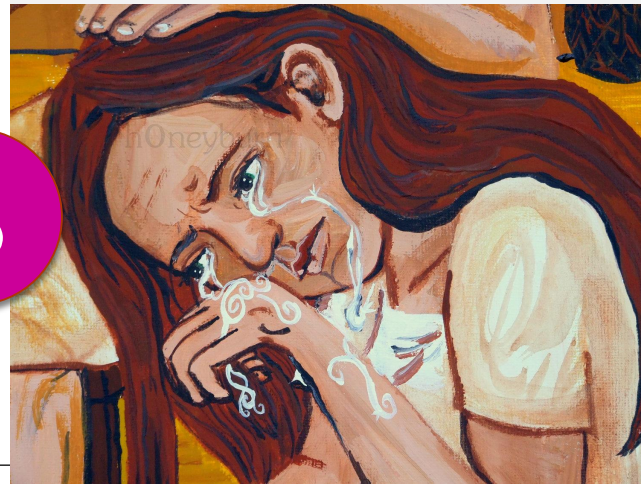
“ L. R. G. ” reminds me ...

L = Love

R = Repent

G = Give

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SUMMARY

Faith in the Lord


“Lord, increase our faith!”

- Touch, take, taste the Lord
 - Humble myself before the Lord
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Love the Lord

*“You **shall** love the Lord your God with **all** your heart, and with **all** your soul, and with **all** your strength, and with **all** your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.”*

- Repent, return to the Lord
- Give to the Lord, and forgive others

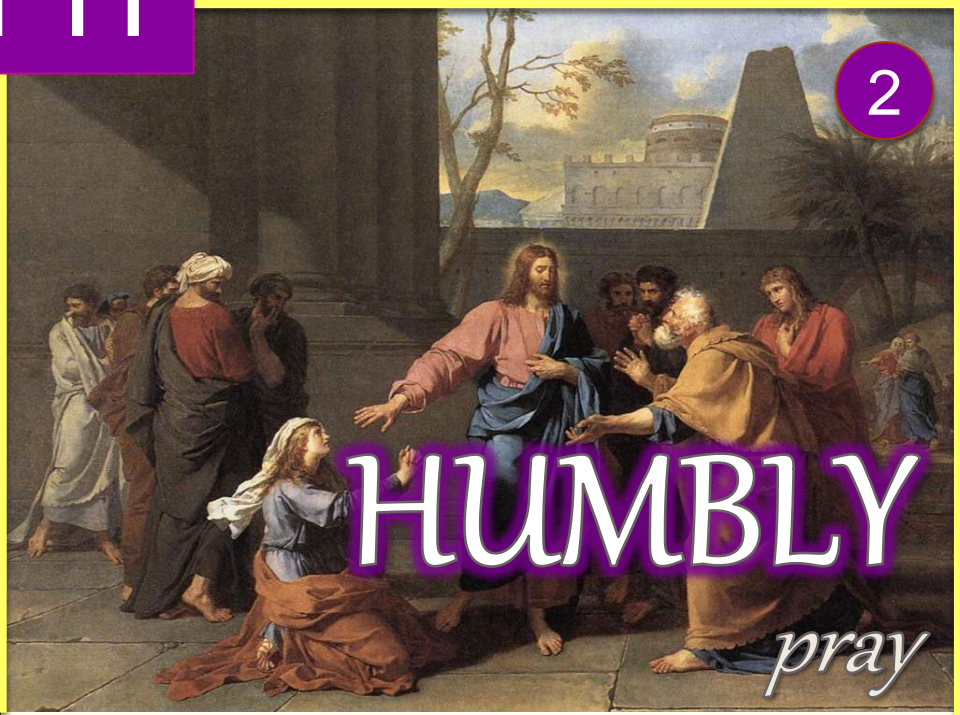


Faith in the Lord
Touch the Lord
Humbly pray

Love the Lord
Repent
Give

Return to Me,
and I will Return to you.

F T H



“ FAITH, TOUCH, HUMBLE ”

“ LOVE, REPENT, GIVE ”

L R G

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leads me to
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*love leads me
to* GIVE

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have
FAITH *and*
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pray to the Lord

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