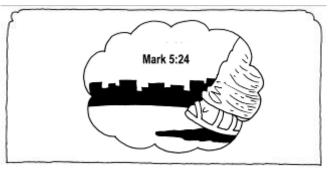
SHE just reached out

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This true story, in the Bible, tells us how one shy lady reached out to Jesus.
All she did was touch his coat and she was better, because she truly believed.



A lady had been sick for a long time.

She had spent all her money going to lots of doctors, but she had never got any better.

She prayed and ask God to help her.



Her friends were talking about the sick people Jesus had made well, so, when He came to their town they all went to see Jesus for themselves.

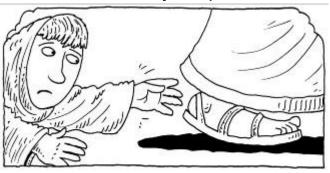


The sick lady went too.

"If only Jesus would make me better,"
she thought, "but there are so many people.
Jesus is too busy to help me."



Then she had an idea.
If she could just get close to Jesus,
even if she could only touch his clothes,
she would be well again.



The lady got really close to Jesus.
She reached out and touched the bottom of his coat.
A tingly feeling of His power went from Jesus into her!
She knew she was better straight away!



Jesus turned around. "Who touched me?" He asked.
Lots of people were close. It could be anyone.
Jesus said, "I felt healing power go out of me
and make someone well."



"It was me," said the lady.
"I knew you would make me well again, Jesus."
Jesus, smiled, "You are better
because you believed in me so much."