

## DEFEATING DEATH

### MATTHEW 9:18-26

Where sin has been removed death can only interrupt the earthly life and usher in the heavenly.

-John MacArthur

#### I. Restoring the Outcast

## II. Reviving the Dead

## Small Group Application Questions

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### *Getting to Know You*

1. If you could remove one thing from your everyday routines, what would that be?

### *Into the Bible*

2. As we have seen in the healings that Matthew records for us, Jesus did not hesitate to minister to those considered unclean and outcast by proper Jewish society—a Roman Gentile centurion, a leper, demon possessed men, and a tax collector. How does this parallel his ministry to us? Read Isaiah 64:6 and Ephesians 2:12-13.

3. The purpose of the ceremonial tassels at the corners of Jesus' robe was to remind the Jews about their inseparable connection to God. When she reaches out to touch them, she is not doing so out of superstitious desire for magic. What did Jesus commend her for that he consistently refers to as the basis for his miracles of healing? (Matthew 8:2, 8:10, 9:18, 9:22)

### *Application*

4. Isaiah's prophecies of the Messiah include references to the healings and the resurrections that Jesus fulfilled (Isaiah 35:5-6, 26:19). In this season of thankfulness how can we show our thankfulness for Christ's healing of our sins (Isaiah 64:6, Psalm 103:3) and taking us from death into life (Ephesians 2:4-7).

### *For Families*

5. Talk with your children about God's power over death and what that means for us.