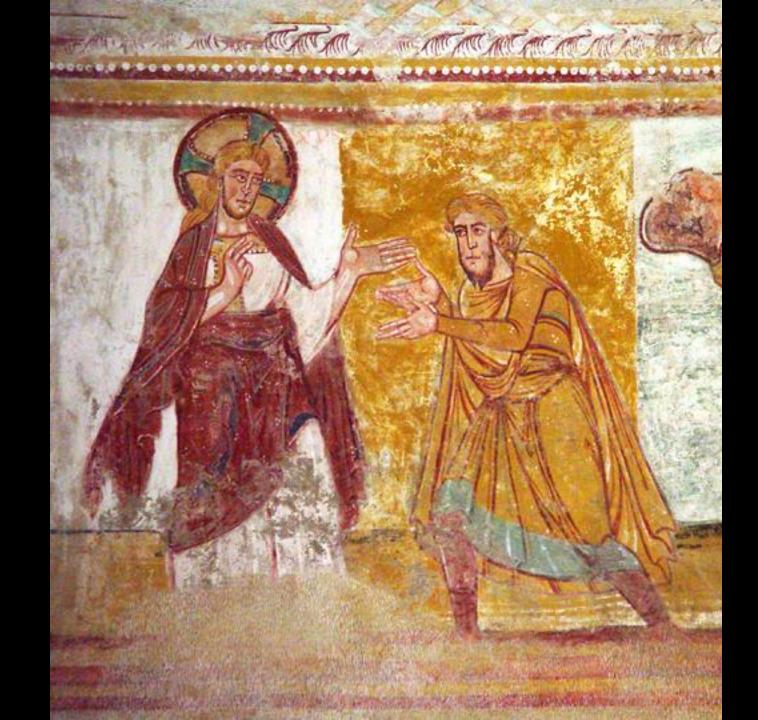
Second Sunday after Pentecost Year A

Genesis 12:1-9 and Psalm 33:1-12 • Hosea 5:15-6:6 and Psalm 50:7-15

Romans 4:13-25 • Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.

Genesis 12:2



The Calling of Abraham

Abbey of At. Savin Vienne, France He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

Psalm 33:5

Haz Justicia

"Do Justice" -- T-Shirt slogan from Youth Mission trip to Honduras

Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord ... he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.



April Showers -- Martin Johnson Heade, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

"For every wild animal of the forest is mine ... I know all the birds of the air, and all that moves in the field ... "

Psalm 50:10a-11a



Animals Square from The Bible Quilt -- Harriet Powers, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

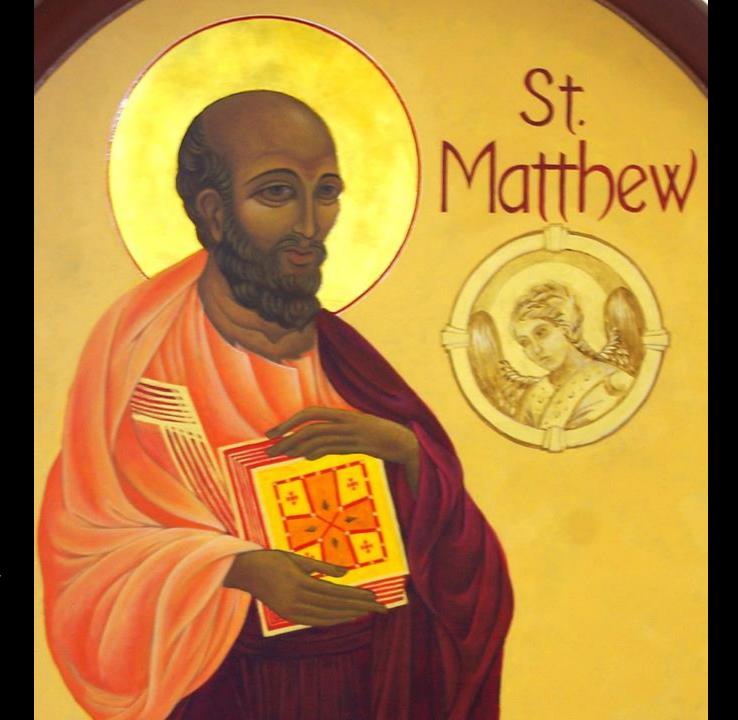
He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb.

Romans 4:19



Sarah and Abraham Offer Hospitality to God's Messengers -- San Vitale, Ravenna, Italy

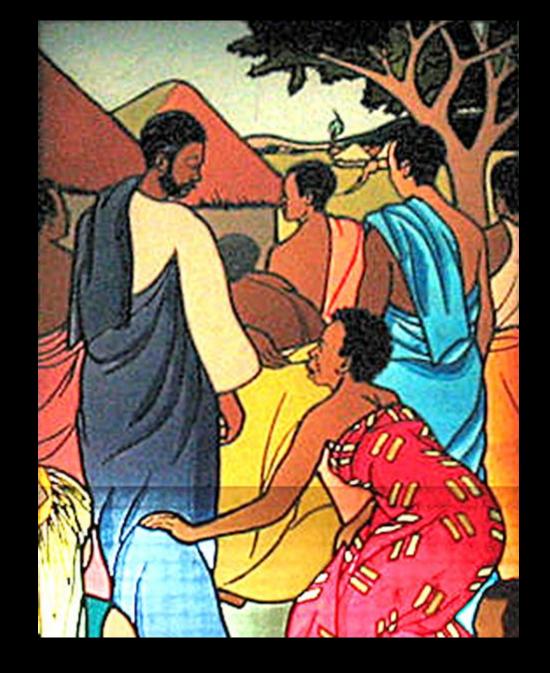
As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.



The Apostle Matthew

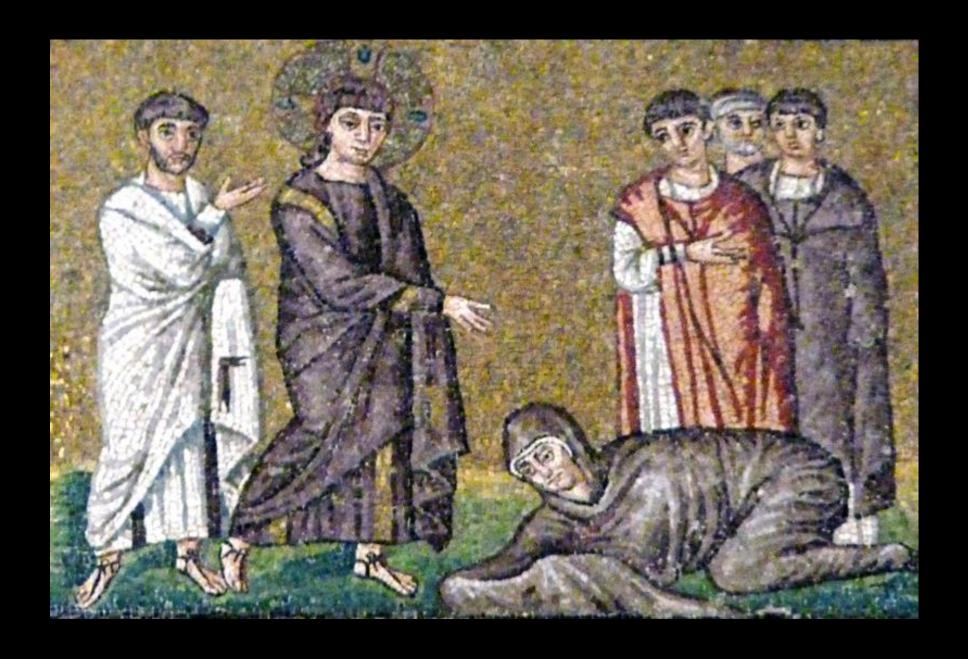
Christ the King Ann Arbor, MI Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak,

for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well."



She Touches the Cloak of Jesus -- Stained glass window, Mulungwishi Methodist Church, DR Congo

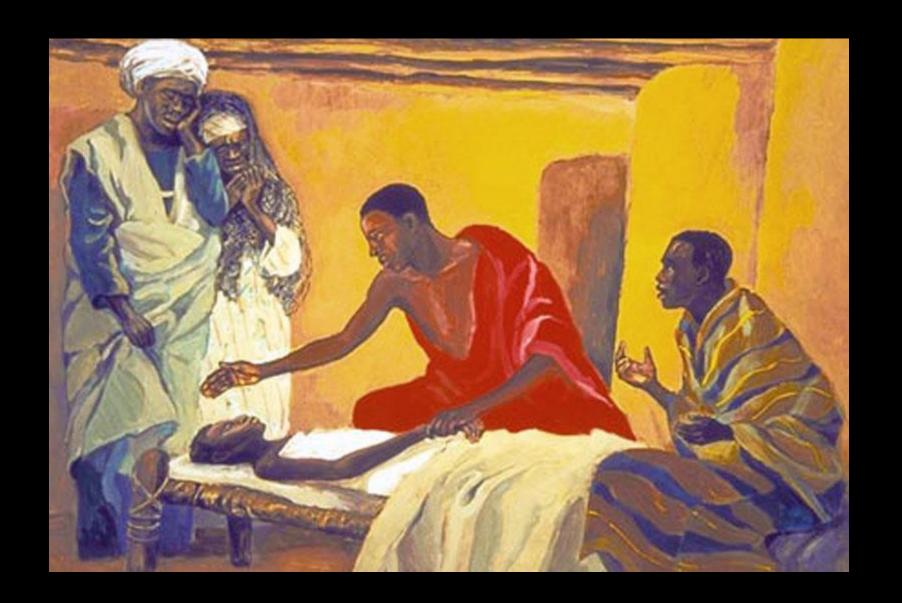
Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." and instantly the woman was made well.



Christ Heals the Woman Who Touched His Cloak -- Sant'Apollinaire Nuovo, Ravenna, Italy

... suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live."

Matthew 9:18b



When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him.

Matthew 9:23-24

But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

Matthew 9:25-26



Jesus Raises the Daughter to Life -- National Children's Hospital, Tallaght, Dublin, Ireland

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