

**“Jesus, the Life Giver”**

**Mark 5:21-43**

**PROP- Jesus is a Revolutionary—taking on everything that would separate us from Him...including death itself!**

### **1. THE SUFFERING WOMAN**

**(NOTE: In this passage, Jesus faces urgent demands, life-threatening crises, obstacles, ridicule/disrespect, & disappointments. He also encounters hearts that are growing to trust Him. Life is filled with both.)**

#### **BACK IN CAPERNAUM**

- **On eastern shore of the Lake (*Sea of Galilee*)**
- **Jesus was *well known* there—but not *well received***

#### **JAIRUS- one of the chief officials in the synagogue**

- **Close ties with Pharisees; in this synagogue they strongly opposed Jesus and were now plotting to kill Him**
- **Jairus resisted the pressure to oppose Jesus—to save his daughter**
- **“Falling at His feet”- act of reverence & worship**
  - **Hebrews 12:1- Cast off “weights” (*outside pressure*) & “sin...besets us” (*internal hindrances*)**
  - **1 John 4:3- “spirit of antichrist...now in the world”—*not popular to follow Jesus; tolerance; “many ways to God”***
  - **Philippians 2:9-11- “Every knee...every tongue”**
    - **“Bowling at His feet”- “worship at His footstool”**
      - **Brought “good news”; “Mts.”- @ *strategic times***
      - **Crushed the enemy’s “head”- *authority***
      - **“Footstool”- *resting place* over enemies (warfare from place of rest & joy)**
- **His daughter is dying**
  - **His only daughter (Luke 8:42); 12 years old (Mark 5:42)**
  - **So seriously ill, he was unable to bring her to Jesus**
- **Jesus responds to Jairus’ faith**
  - **Luke 7:7- Centurion’s “great faith”- “just say the word”**
  - **Jairus- “Come with me”**
  - **Even “mustard seed” size faith—moves His heart**

#### **WOMAN SUFFERING FOR 12 YEARS**

- **Lit.- “*suffering pain*”**
- **Constant internal/menstrual bleeding**
- **Called “unclean”—unable to worship at synagogue; forbidden to touch or interact with others (i.e., same as a leper)**

## SHE TOUCHED THE HEM OF HIS GARMENT

- The “tzitzit” (*tassels on 4 corners*)
- Jewish men wore these tassels on their outer garments (Numbers 15)
- 613 knots—one for every Law of Moses
  - Honor His word
  - Walk in His ways
- She held on to His promises
- “Who touched Me?” (*Crowd was curious; she was trusting*)
- “Fear and trembling”- she could have been stoned for touching Him (*But, like Jairus, she took a risk that was well worth it!*)
- “Daughter, go into peace!”- *He opened the door for a new way of living*

## 2. JAIRUS’ DAUGHTER DIES

### THE BAD NEWS: “Your daughter is dead!”

- Jairus’ immediate reaction: disappointment, fear, unbelief
- Jesus responds to this “spirit of fear” with calm, confident words: “Do not be afraid. Just believe (*Lit.- “Keep on believing”!*)”
- Jesus dispersed the crowd (only Peter, James and John came with Him)

### AT THE HOUSE

- “Loud weeping & wailing”—some were paid “wailers”; lack of emotion viewed as disrespect
- Jesus: “She’s asleep” (*“Her condition is temporary.”*)
- “They laughed” *Scoffing. Arrogant. We know better than You!*
- Jesus “ekballoed” them (*Strongly threw them out. They missed the miracle.*)
- Jesus “took her by the hand”- Pharisees: “Touch a dead body—unclean”
- (Aramaic) “Little girl, I say to you, get up.”
- They were “completely astonished” (*Lit.- “out of their minds in amazement*)

### TWO CLEAR COMMANDS

- “Tell no one”
  - This was personal (He did not want to simply be known as the “miracle worker”—He came to revolutionize all of life!!)
  - He wanted them to ponder what had happened (*i.e., Mary*)
- “Feed her”- He cares about practical needs & our involvement in them

### CONCLUSION

- Jesus raised these 2 from the grip of death—but a short time later, He conquered death for all of us!
- Jesus still invades dead places—infusing them with His life!