

## MARK 5 SERIES

### DEVILS CAST OUT, DISEASE HEALED, DEAD RAISED

**Mark 5 Part 2: THE INCURABLE CURED/HOPE FOR THE HOPELESS Mark 5:21-43**

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#### **Brief Overview of Mark 5:35-43**

Undoubtedly, there are circumstances in our lives when we realize that it is challenging to manifest great faith and trust, as we must always maintain faith. In these verses (Mark 5:35-43), Jairus is greatly challenged to maintain that faith we saw him demonstrated in verses 22-23.

It is important to remember that our faith is built and strengthened one test or trial at a time as God proves Himself faithful and worthy to be trusted over and over again.

**The song: One Day at a Time**

#### Refrain

One day at a time sweet Jesus  
That's all I'm asking of You  
Just give me the strength  
To do every day what I have to do  
Yesterday's gone sweet Jesus  
And tomorrow may never be mine  
Lord help me today, show me the way  
One day at a time

If God gave the victory before, He will do it again and again. Beloved, we triumph in Him!! (1 Cor. 15:57-58; Deut. 20:4; Rom. 8:35-37; 2 Cor. 2:14; Phil. 4:13).

The child of God rests soundly in the will of God, no matter how hard the wind blows. Everyone desire satisfaction and security, yet so many do not seem to realize that being in the will of God is the safest place and that fact doesn't change whether it is accepted or not . . . in the midst of it all, man will continue to experience the challenges of life and being in Jesus Christ is the way of victory! We must stay focused on Him no matter what!!

**Isa. 26:3 Amplified Bible**

*“You will keep in perfect and constant peace the one whose mind is steadfast [that is committed and focused on You – in both inclination and character]. Because he trusts and takes refuge in You [with hope and confident expectation].”*

**Elizabeth Elliot notes:**

*“God is God. Because He is God, He is worthy of my trust and obedience. I will find rest nowhere but in His holy will, a will that is beyond my largest notions of what He is up to.”*

**Ann Voskamp (A Canadian writer) notes:**

*“It’s the painful testing that hold the possibility of powerful testimony – and every trial is but steps in triumphant march.”*

God never calls us to blindly believe, just believe deeper, broader, and wider. Jairus, as noted in Part A (Mark 5:21-24), was confident that Jesus could heal the sick and that’s why He set everything aside and earnestly sought Christ! However, at this time (Mark 5:35-43), with the reality of his daughter’s death it was necessary for him to believe that Jesus could raise her from the dead.

**Matthew Henry notes:**

*“Diseases and deaths came into the world by sin and disobedience of the first Adam; but by grace of the second Adam both are conquered in Christ, having healed an incurable disease, here goes on to triumph over death, as in the beginning of the chapter (Mark 5. . . insert mine) he had triumph over an outrageous devil.”*

**THE EXPOSITION****THE INCURABLE CURED/HOPE FOR THE HOPELESS Mark 5:21-43.**

**In Part A: Desperate Father/Leader Earnestly Sought Jesus Mark 5:21-24, we discussed:**

- A. Dire and Various Needs Within the Crowd Mark 5:21-22.**
- B. Desire of a Desperate Man Made Known to Jesus Mark 5:22-24.**

*Noting only the five sub-points:*

1. Humane Attitude Passionately Exhibited (Mark 5:22a)  
***Here we observe Jairus; “Selfless Attitude.”***
2. Humility of a Jewish Leader (Mark 5:22b)  
***Here we observe Jairus’, “Humble Attitude.”***
3. Help Earnestly and Shamelessly Sought (Mark 5:23a)  
***Here we observe Jairus’, “Pleading Attitude.”***
4. Hopefulness Demonstrated by a Desperate Father (Mark 5:23b)  
***Here we observe Jairus’, “Believing Attitude.”***
5. Heavenly (or Blessed) Result and Impact

*This is a brief review of Jairus’ outstanding attitudes as discussed in verses 22-23.*

**In Part B: Draining and Desperately Hopeless . . . Jesus Healed Mark 5:25-34, we discussed:**

*Noting only the main-points:*

- C. **Devastated – Doom Anticipated – Produced a Desperate Woman** Mark 5:25-26
- D. **Dared to When Ritually Forbidden . . . But Desperate!** Mark 5:27-28.
- E. **Delivered! Glorious Victory!** Mark 5:29-30a.
- F. **Divine Acknowledgment** Mark 5:30b.

## **PART C: Death Is Conquered by The Resurrection and The Life Mark 5:35-43**

### **G. Death of Jairus Daughter . . . Hope Now Diminishing** Mark 5:35.

#### **1. Death of Jairus Daughter Made Known** (Mark 5:35a).

*“While He was still speaking, some came from the ruler of the synagogue’s house who said, ‘Your daughter is dead’ . . .” (5:35a NKJV).*

(a) Circumstances that created great concerns.

(1) It needs to be clearly understood that there is not a fearful, despairing attitude in faith.

- Trusting/believing God has nothing to do with fear or despair.
- **Heb. 11:6 ESV**

*“And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who seek Him.”*

(2) As noted in our text, a devastating/discouraging situation occurred!

- While Jesus was still speaking with the woman (Mark 5:25-34), news came that Jairus’s daughter died (5:35).
- It is a possibility that Jairus may have become somewhat concerned when Jesus stopped to help the hemorrhaging woman, knowing his daughter was in a critical condition, actually at the point of death when he was leaving home. **Now his one and only beloved daughter is dead!!**
- Jairus was devastated, crushed, fearful, and despairing. **Now it was too late!! He felt hopeless!! All hope was fading!!** At least so it may have been on receiving the news of his daughter’s death.

(b) Contemplating why . . . and seeing hopelessness (*which ever so often is a natural human reaction for many, at least at the initial phase when adverse situations occur*).

(1) As indicated above, Jairus’ heart sank when he received the news that his beloved daughter had died.

- He must have thought: “I knew Jesus shouldn’t have wasted His time with that ostracized woman. Now the situation is beyond hope.”
- Beloved, here is another example of a hopeless cry for life. This time we reflect once more on Jairus the father who relentlessly pursued Jesus to get help for His beloved daughter!!

- (2) It may be assumed that repeatedly, Jairus asked himself: “Why did Jesus allow this woman to delay Him?”
- Yet, Jesus must have known that Jairus’ desperation was bound to grow more uneasy by allowing the woman to delay Him.
  - However, Jesus also knew that Jairus’ confidence and assurance would be strengthened by seeing the hemorrhaging woman healed.
- (c) Cheerlessness characterized and the cause for it now seemed that all is lost.
- (1) There was a feeling of sorry, gloom, or pessimistic sadness that lingered for a while.
- (2) The melancholy news brought to Jairus, that his **daughter is dead**, and therefore, if Christ be as other physicians, His coming will be too late!!
2. **Doubters saw hopelessness** (Mark 5:35b)
- “ . . . why trouble the Teacher any further?” (5:35 NKJV).*
- (a) Confidence in Christ called into question.
- (1) Some within the group who informed Jairus that his daughter died, saw no further need for Jesus . . . **NOTE: “Your daughter has died; why bother the teacher any longer?” (5:35 Amplified Bible).**
- They were saying: “When your daughter was alive maybe He could help but at this point what can He do?”
  - Or some may have said: “Your daughter is dead; can He restore her to life? There is no more need for Him!”
- (2) Most likely the people had no confidence that Jesus was able to raise the dead. Indeed, He was known as a great teacher and done many miracles but raising the dead is far beyond His capability!
- (3) They had not seen Christ raise the dead; this child was now dead and they were fully convinced that His power over her was at an end, they saw no need to further trouble Him.
- (b) Crisis at the moment may have overshadowed Jairus with confusion, fear and hopelessness.
- (1) Don’t we all at some point experience periods of difficulties and sometimes we initially tend to worry, etc.
- Note a brief comment on Psalm 42:5, 11
    - The psalmist asks God why his heart is so sad and why must he go through a time of oppression by his enemies.
    - God never ask us to understand, He ask us to obey and glorify Him, maintain our trust in Him under any circumstance!!
  - Even during our difficulties, we are to praise God for His faithfulness. The child of God is never without hope; not for anyone who put their hope in Him!!

- (2) We wouldn't have time to comment on crisis experiences that have produced confusion, fear and hopelessness. . . . I will **briefly** comment on one example . . . (see 1 Kings 19:4-14).
- We witness the victory to the name, cause, purpose, demands, of the True and Living God through Elijah in 1 Kings 18. In 1 Kings 19 we find Elijah fearful, running, scared, exhausted and wanted to die (1 Kings 19:1-14).
  - This I also want to briefly note: **Just as God has been present in our past, during the difficulties we must persevere in the hope that God will be present in our future!** (Read 1 Kings chapters 18 and 19).
- (3) Beloved, irrespective of any situation that we may face, even those that hurt deep within, or those that seem to prevail, etc.; the LORD is our refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble and He will never forsake those who seek Him!! (See Psa. 9:9-19; 46:1-3).

#### H. Divine Consolation . . . Do Not Despair . . . Only Believe!! Mark 5:36-39

##### 1. Despair Not!! Depend Wholly on God!! (Mark 5:36).

*"As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, He said to the ruler of the synagogue, 'Do not be afraid; only believe.'" (5:36 NKJV).*

##### (a) Enduring faith still evident.

- (1) Undoubtedly, Jairus was deeply moved with grief and his mind was flooded with questions and some uncertainties.
- Obviously, he dearly loved his beloved daughter and was willing to do whatever it took to get the necessary help for his dying girl.
  - He was willing to be ridiculed, deprived of his prestigious position, in his quest to seek Jesus and he publicly humbled himself at His feet pleading to Him for help, because he believed Jesus was able to help.
- (2) Despite the pessimists/defeatists and all other such like discouraging people that were present, we do not have any record of Jairus abandoning his faith in Jesus!
- (3) Situations and circumstances will come your way – not maybe – they will come your way! However, despite what you face your response ought to be: **"None of these things are going to move me!"** (See Acts 20:17-38, NB Vv. 21-24).

##### (b) Encouragement given to the afflicted father.

- (1) Christ encouraged the afflicted father to maintain his hope that his request on behalf of his daughter was not in vain . . . Christ encouraged him to continue in faith.
- The assurance to Jairus was: *although there was a delay in order to heal the hemorrhaging woman, such was not a neglect of his need, neither would he be disadvantaged: "Be not afraid only believe."*

- Like an echoing voice in Jairus' mind, he heard the compassionate Christ repeating: **"Be not afraid that my coming will be to no purpose, only believe that I will make it turn to good."**
- (2) Jesus' words to Jairus in the midst of the crisis speaks to us as well:
- We must not despair concerning our family that may not only be terminally sick but who eventually die; we must not sorrow for them as if there is no hope! In God there is both hope and promises (example see Jer. 31:16, 17; Psa. 71:5; 145:6; etc.).
  - **We must wholly depend on God. Faith is the only remedy against disquieting grief and fear . . . "Only Believe!!"**
  - Maintain your confidence in Christ, and depend upon Him, and He will do what is best! Do not look at your problem with hopelessness, look at your problem from Jesus' point of view. Then, **"Be not afraid, only believe!"**
- (3) **Spurgeon notes:**  
*"But, brethren, here is the sphere of faith. Where there is no wading, there must be swimming; and where there is no hope in the creature, then we must throw ourselves upon the Creator. So, the child's death made room for the father's faith."*
- (4) In times of bewilderment, anxiety, hopelessness, etc., God gives the necessary faith and He delivers His people according to His will and purpose (Psa. 22:4; Isa. 26:3-4; 43:2)  
Here is a short list of some who were delivered at that specific time of crisis!
- Abraham (Gen. 22:2, 9-14; James 2:21-22).
  - Moses (Ex. 14:10-22; 32:10-14).
  - David (1 Sam. 17:44-47).
  - Jehoshaphat (2 Chron. 20:1-4, 12, 18-22).
  - Jairus (Mark 5:21-23, 35-42).
  - Etc.
2. **Decision to Have a Selected Company** (Mark 5:37).  
*"And He permitted no one to follow Him except Peter, James and John, the brother of James." (5:37 NKJV).*
- (a) Peter, James and John referred to as Christ's inner circle, are three of the most well-known disciples. Being a part of the inner circle allowed them to not only witnessed many miracles but were regarded as being especially trusted by Jesus.
- (1) They were chosen to accompany Christ along with Jairus and his wife when Christ raised Jairus daughter. Witnessing such miracle, they had a personal exposure to Christ's resurrection power.
- (2) Jesus could have performed the healing with just the parents, but He wanted His future leaders to be personal witnesses. Jesus' relationship with Peter, James and John led to the Christian leadership ideology (creed, ideas, doctrine, outlook, etc.) of teaching many disciples and mentoring a handful.

... Jesus called a few men around Him and then trained them what it means to do what He did.

- (3) There are three specific occasions we have seen the inner circle with Christ.
- The raising of Jairus' daughter (Mark 5:35-43).
  - The Transfiguration of Christ (Matt. 17:1-8; Mark 9:2-10; Luke 9:28-36).
  - He took them with Him in the Garden of Gethsemane (Matt. 26:36-46; Mark 14:32-42; Luke 22:39-46),
  - Interestingly, they were the only disciples with nicknames (Mark 3:16-17)
- (b) The following quote was taken from a presentation on "Christ's Inner Circle."  
*"As Jesus looked beyond their glaring imperfections and saw extraordinary potential, these unimpressive and profoundly flawed human beings went on to become effective evangelist and capable leaders in the early Christian movement. As a matter of fact, it is precisely because of their heightened fallibility that the power of God is more clearly evident in all they achieved. And the same Lord is still capable of accomplishing the unexpected through imperfect people like you and me."* (Read 1 Cor. 1:26-29).

### 3. Disarray at Jairus' Home (Mark 5:38).

*"Then He came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and saw a tumult and those who wept and wailed loudly."* (5:38 NKJV).

- (a) Company of professional mourners.
- (1) In that day it was customary to hire professional mourners to add to the atmosphere of grief and pain at a funeral.
- It must be remembered that professional mourners only grieved superficially. Their mourning was only an external showpiece.
  - You will observe how quickly they turned from weeping to ridiculing Christ when He stated: ". . . *the damsel is not dead, but sleepeth*" (Mark 5:39b). In verse 40a we note: *"And they laughed Him to scorn."*
- (2) Loud weeping and wailing were customary at a person's death. A lack of them was regarded the greatest possible disgrace and disrespect.
- This group of people usually women (Jer. 9:17), made mourning a profession, they would sing dirges (mournful songs) and creating a stir. They were paid by the dead person's family to weep over the body.
  - It is believed that on the day of death, the body was carried through the streets, followed by the mourners, family members and friends.
- (b) Chaos/confusion, characterized the mourners at Jairus' home.
- (1) The scenery at Jairus' home has been noted as **"tumult"** (Mark 5:38): meaning in Greek: ***uproar, trouble (accompanied by noisy upheaval) that throws things into disorder, loud wailing; disturbance bringing panic.***
- It was weeping described as been done in an inordinate and improper manner.
  - I have noted before some things that are associated with this manner of mourning which are many and various . . . here is another, briefly noted

*(again this may have been the custom of some but may not have been a generally done):* People in the East used to bewail the dead by cutting the flesh, tearing the hair and crying bitterly.

- (2) The atmosphere in Jairus' house was noisy and the wailing was loud and chaotic (Mark 5:38). Two of the lessons that can be learnt from this:
- **Loud confusing noise** do not create the proper atmosphere for Jesus to work and meet our needs. We should rid ourselves of all distractions – get in the presence of God, focused upon His Word, continue in prayer and supplication and trust God to do His work (Phil. 4:6-7).
  - **As with the professional mourners** (Ecc. 12:5; Jer. 9:17; Amos 5:16; **Matt.9:23**), the world experience loud confusing noise and grief because it has no hope over death.
    - Yet, even when we lose a loved one, the Lord longs to meet the grief of the believer's, heart, with the quiet assurance and hope He has given.
    - ***Those who truly hope in Jesus Christ has confidence in God . . . indeed we have a" blessed hope!"*** (Titus 2:13).
- (3) Genuine faith is not conducive to a wailing and whining attitude; our belief in God has nothing to do with such inconsistencies.
- Society and others may encourage wailing and whining; they may feel and say that nothing can be done now, that all one can do is to bear up under the weight and tragedy of the loss.
  - Nevertheless, through Jesus Christ we have the answer to any challenging situation, mild or tragic. Many have allowed looming, dark clouds, the threatening storm, devastating situations, etc. and hopelessness to set in and rob them of hope, but Jesus Christ is still the answer!!
- (4) Note the following quote:
- "A believing faith often requires bearing abuse, scorn, and persecution to follow Jesus. Conquering the impossible requires great faith, and often it requires standing alone against everyone else."*
- (c) Contrary to God's will and standards.
- (1) Christ did not commend the chaos that greeted Him at Jairus' home; such scenery was contrary to His standards because God is not the author of confusion! Whenever there is confusion, God is not there. God is God of order and peace, etc. and His holy presence is characterized by peace.
  - (2) Confusion divides, separates, hinders, and destroys God's truth. In any situation where confusion is allowed, peace, progress, power, or prosperity will be hindered; and eventually the cause of God, as well as individuals will experience defeat or any other negative results.

- (3) Chaos, confusion, contention, cliques, callousness, competitions fleshly `motivated, carnal cravings, etc. are all like garbage filling up a garage; all that unnecessary junk makes it impossible for a car to park in that garage! We must keep our lives free from junk so that God can freely occupy and in those moments, we will experience His intervention (see for example: **1 Cor. 14:33**; Rom. 15:33; Gal. 5:22; Phil. 4:7; 2 Thess. 3:16; **James 3:17**).

#### 4. Declaring the Child's Condition (Mark 5:39)

*"When He came in, He said to them, 'Why make this commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.'" (5:39 NKJV).*

(a) Enters into the house . . . Christ.

- (1) Christ enters into the house; He was there for a purpose and went at the task without delay.
- (2) He went in the room where the company of mourners, and pipers, and mourning women who were singing their doleful songs.
- (3) Note, His response to their external act of mourning: "Why make this commotion and weep?"

**Mark 5:39** Note the following translations:

- Message Bible  
". . . **Why all this busybody grief and gossip?"**
- Contemporary English Version  
". . . **Why are you crying and carrying on like this?"**

- (4) Why this "**tumult**," this commotion? This grief and mourning? Whether real or artificial? What is the real purpose and what will you accomplish?

(b) Explanation given of the child's true status: "**The child is not dead, but sleeping**" (5:39b NKJV).

- (1) **She was dead, but not dead as far as Christ was concerned; she was not dead to remain dead!**
- (2) She was not in that state to remain under the power of death; she was like a person in a sleep, who would be in a little time awakened out of it: and which would be easily done by Christ!!
- (3) Simply stated: Christ meant soon to bring her back again to life, and therefore to Him it was as if she was but sleeping.
- (4) Christ said the same thing of His dead friend Lazarus (John 11:1-46, NB Vv. 11-15). After all, He is: ". . . **the resurrection and the life . . .**" (John 11:25a).
- (5) Beloved, in the presence of Jesus, death becomes mere sleep, as believers await the dawn of their Lord's glorious and triumphant coming (1 Thess. 4:13-18; See also Matt. 27:52; John 5:28-29; 1 Cor. 15:20, 51).

#### I. Doubters and Scorners . . . But Christ in Control! Mark 5:40

##### 1. Divinity Hysterically Challenged (Mark 5:40a)

*"And they ridiculed Him. . . ." (5:40a NKJV)*

(a) Undoubtedly, Jairus' daughter was dead!

- (1) The people knew that she was dead:
- The group at Jairus' house knew the child was dead: Luke 8:53 NKJV: **"And they ridiculed Him, knowing she was dead."**
  - Those who relayed the message knew that she was dead: ". . . some came from the ruler of the synagogue's house who said, 'Your daughter is dead . . .'" 5:35b NKJV).
  - While men dread and fear death, Scripture promises that God walks with the faithful at all times and has heartened (encouraged) us to overcome our fears (see **Psa. 23:4**; 1 Cor. 15:55-58; Heb. 2:14-15; etc.).
- (2) Note the following quotes:
- Thomas Brooks (A 17 Century preacher)  
*"A Christian knows that death shall be funeral of all his sins, his sorrows, his afflictions, his temptations, his vexations, his oppressions, persecutions. He knows that death shall be the resurrection of all hopes, his joys, his delights, his comforts, his contentment."*
  - Matthew Henry  
***"He whose head is in heaven need not fear to put his feet into the grave."***
- (3) As noted, before, Christ knew that Jairus' daughter was dead but to Him, her death was likened to sleep, from which she would eventually be awakened!
- (b) Christ mocked for His assessment (Mark 5:40a)
- (1) There was evidence beyond dispute which confirmed that the girl was dead! Their laughing Christ to scorn for His candid assessment although highly reprehensible (deplorable, etc.) which also serves to prove that the child was dead (they acknowledged that the child was dead).
- (2) Why they insisted that the child was dead?  
*Only a few brief pointers possible.*
- They were around death, performing around the dead all the time, especially the paid mourners.
  - There is also the possibility that they scorned Jesus with the intention to discourage Him; having the objective that Jairus would no longer rely on Christ to intervene.
  - Others may have had some knowledge of Christ and His power which should not be allowed to disrupt their work and wages, if Christ should raise Jairus daughter . . . if such was possible (to be of help to the child at this point).
- (3) Most men scoff at the idea of Jesus raising the dead (1 Cor. 15:12; 1 Cor. 15:35; 2 Peter 3:3).
- Men mock and scorn what they do not understand.
  - We must believe, trust and confess with Paul, ***"Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out"*** (Rom. 11:33 NKJV).

(4) Spurgeon notes:

*“What a wonderful picture this must been – the Lord of glory in the center of an unbecoming crew who laugh Him to scorn! But it is not the man who is laughed at who is necessarily contemptible, it is often the laughers who are the most deserving of scorn. It was so in Christ’s day, and it has often been so since.”*

2. **Division Made/Preparation for Greater Works** (Mark 5:40b)

*“. . . But when He had put them all outside, He took the father and mother of the child, and those who were with Him, and entered where the child was lying” (5:40 NKJV).*

(a) Special moments require special people.

(1) The people were put out. Scorners are not worthy to witness the Lord’s power. Only the meek and receptive are.

(2) Jesus would have nothing to do with these people who do not believe His promises. He drove them out so that they would not discourage the faith of Jairus.

(3) There was a compelling stipulation, Jesus demanded a quiet, prayerful atmosphere for what he was about to do!!

- He was hereby saying, **“give place,”** depart, go, be gone with this commotion and external grief that is void of sincere empathy.
- **Christ saw no room for such behavior in the face of faith. The professional mourners had their time of performance, now room must be made for the manifest power of God!!**

(4) Those removed were unworthy to be witnesses of the miracle, who were noisy in their professional sorrow and were so ignorant in the things of God, they had no understanding when He spoke of sleep as death and so they ridiculed Him.

- Christ kept the parents as witnesses of the miracle, because He had an eye on their faith and this miracle was for their comfort.
- Along with the three disciples, He kept only those (the parents) who were most sincerely concerned, and those whom He had Himself brought (the Inner Circle) as witnesses of the great act about to be done.

(b) Seclusion in performing miracles

*The following is a listing (without discussion) of some who desired seclusion when performing miracles.*

(1) **By Elijah**, in raising the Widow of Zarephath’s son **1Kings 17:19**.

(2) **By Elisha**, in the resurrection of the Shunammite’s son **2 Kings 4:33**.

(3) **By Christ**, in raising Jairus’ daughter **Mark 5:40**.

(4) **By Christ**, in the healing of the dead and dumb man **Mark 7:33**

(5) **By Christ**, in healing the blind man **Mark 8:23**.

(6) **By Peter**, in the resurrection of Dorcas **Acts 9:40**.

## J. Demonstration of God's Great Power, Love and Grace Mark 5:41-43.

### 1. Christ's Touch and Authority (Mark 5:41)

*"Then He took the child by the hand, and said to her, 'Talitha, cumi,' which is translated, 'Little girl, I say to you arise.'"*

#### (a) Caring Savior in action.

(1) As observed in verse 39: **"When He came in . . .,"** It's refreshing to focus on the fact of Jesus entering in. He will always **come in** to us where we are, if our hearts reach out to Him as Jairus did. Whatever may be the condition that we are in He will come in to help us.

- Whatever may be the need, relentlessly and in faith seek Him and invite Him, just as Jairus did (Mark 5:21-23) and He will come in (Rev. 3:20). Whatever may be your load He will lift it (Matt. 11:28-30).
- **Oh! Beloved! Christ invites you! Come to Him today!**
  - Come Into a Place of Safety (Gen. 7:1).
  - Come to Goodly Fellowship (1 John 1:3-4)
  - Come to Personal Cleansing (Isa. 1:18)
  - Come for a Satisfying Portion (Isa. 55:1)
  - Come at the King's Urgent Invitation (Matt. 22:4)
  - Come to the Gospel Feast (Luke 14:17)
  - Etc.

(2) All God wants from us is to believe in Him. He is the same God who reaches out to all of us, irrespective of our circumstances, He cares and will supply all our needs.

#### (b) Contact with the source in need.

(1) **"He took the child by the hand . . ."** (Mark 5:41a NKJV)

- Two brief definitions:
  - The Greek word for which we derive **"took"** means to hold securely with power.
  - The Greek word from which we derive **"hand"** infers power that is used to help.
- Jesus took the child's hand demonstrating love, care, security and authority . . . it was now time for break-through . . . time for God to move!! God is in control!

(2) **". . . and He said to her, 'Talitha cumi,' which is translated, 'Little girl, I say to you arise.'"** (5:41b NKJV).

- As casual as Jesus' words and actions seemed to be, actual healing does take the power of the Holy Spirit . . . Divine power and He is Divine! Changing the nature of this small piece of the universe requires hard work **but being God with Him, all things are possible!**
- The phrase **"Talitha cumi"** – Aramaic . . . showing Christ used the local language (*used only in Marks account*). Such usage proves that Jesus used basic words not some magical spell.

- (3) Jesus, working to meet the needs of this girl by using words, yet they were not vain words because He is the Word! (See John 1, BN Vv. 1-4).
- The words that He spoke reflected the very mind of God (He is God!). Words do have power when they express intent of God, not because they are some fancy terms, etc. but the very expression of God!
  - Our faith is not defined by standard prayers, liturgical readings, words that tickle the ears, etc., or magic words, but by our faith, by grace and Jesus' work.
- (4) Jesus spoke to the dead girl as if she was alive: **“ . . . I say to you arise ”** . . . and He did so because He is God. Romans 4:17 says that God **“gives life to the dead and call those things which do not exist as though they did.”** Jesus spoke to this girl with the power of God and she was raised from the dead (which we will discuss in the next pointer ... v. 42).
2. **Conqueror Over All . . . Even Death!** (Mark 5:42).  
*“Immediately the girl arose and walked for she was twelve years of age. And they were overcome with great amazement” (5:42 NKJV).*
- (a) Immediate and complete deliverance realized!! (5:42a).
- (1) **“I command you, that you arise!”**: In reality, there is more to this . . . because the dead have no power to arise, therefore power goes along with the word, in order to make it effectual (as noted before). (Zech. 4:6; Luke 4:14; Acts 1:8)
- (2) **“Immediately the girl arose . . .”** (Mark 5:42a). He is a God of miracles! (John 11:4; Acts 3:16; 19:11-12; etc.)
- Jesus will raise us up, meeting our desperate needs on this earth, and He will raise us up in the last day (John 5:22-30; 1 Thess. 4:16-17).
  - **Matt. 28:18 Amp. Bible**  
***“Jesus came up and said to them, ‘All authority (all power of absolute rule) in heaven and on earth has been given to Me.’”***  
 (See also Acts 10:38; Rom. 1:4).
- (3) Jesus' power can and will touch any need!
- He can touch the most desperate needs of everyone irrespective of what, this includes where loved ones have died!!
  - He can touch the desperate needs of people through our intercession for others or as God desires. Our loved ones may be helpless even as this young daughter was, but if we seek God in prayer, He will meet our needs by His sovereign power.
- (4) Not only the girl (Jairus' daughter) was resurrected but she also walked! (Mark 5:42).
- Spiritual life will appear by our **rising** from the bed of inactivity and carelessness, and walking in a righteous lifestyle; **our walking up and down is in Christ's name and strength!**
  - This is applicable even to younger ones; they too can live as those whom Jesus Christ has raised to life.

- (b) Impressed beyond comprehension – overwhelmingly rapturous!!
- (1) The parents saw the miracle, were deeply moved by it, admired what took place and greatly admired the one who performed the miracle!
    - “. . . **And they were overcome with great amazement**” (5:42b): They could not but acknowledge that there was something in the miracle that was definitely extraordinary and indeed truly great and astonishing. They were so touched by the miracle that they didn’t know how exactly to respond to such Divine intervention!!
    - The admiration of such miracles should have produced a forward faith but instead it produced a state of calmness (silence . . . speechless) and astonishment because the experience of what they witnesses was so awe-inspiring and wonderful, words cannot describe!!
  - (2) **Jesus not only demonstrated great power; He demonstrated tremendous compassion!**
    - Jesus’ power over nature, evil spirits and death was motivated by compassion for the demon possessed man who lived among tombs (**Mark 5:1-20**), a disease woman (**Mark 5:25-34**), and the family of a dead girl (**Mark 5:21-24, 35-43**).
    - The Jewish rabbi of the day considered such people (mentioned above) as unclean. The socially superior would do everything to avoid them.  
**However, not so with Jesus Christ, He reached out and helped!!**
  - (3) As we saw in Part A (Mark 5:21-24) Jairus displayed (a) a Selfless Attitude (v. 22a), (b) a Humble Attitude (v. 22b), (c) a Pleading Attitude (v. 23a), and (d) a Believing Attitude (v. 23b). He believed, laid aside everything and remained steadfast in his faith in Jesus Christ and reaped the result of such actions.
  - (4) Jesus granted the believer’s request; He demonstrated His great love and amazing power. He rewarded a faithful seeker and a firm believer. He raised up Jairus daughter. He showed that He cared for the man and his family, someone who approached Him in belief and faith!!
3. **Charge Given to the Parents by Christ** (Mark 5:43).  
*“But He commanded them strictly that no one should know it, and said that something should be given her to eat” (5:43 NKJV).*
- (a) Charge given to conceal the miracle (5:43a).
    - (1) The family, having their only daughter (Luke 8:42) went through a period of terminal illness and eventually her death; it was a most difficult time for any family but now the scene has changed for better!
    - (2) What the family saw and experienced when Christ raised their daughter was truly amazing and such would be to anyone . . . it was a great moment!!

- (3) Despite the magnitude of the miracle and the joy being experienced by the parents, it was Christ's desire that they conceal the matter.
- It was sufficiently known to a competent number, but He would have it yet proclaimed no further at this time.
  - Such restriction was also beneficial to the family; by not telling anyone what had really happened would protect them from an immediate rush of sightseers.
- (4) The crowd would eventually know that the girl had been raised from the dead. In Matt. 9:26 we are told that Christ's fame spread abroad.
- The raising of the dead was proof that Jesus was the Messiah (Matt. 9:18-34; 11:5; John 11:37).
  - The people talked and talked about His power, but unfortunately note, how many still did not believe.
    - They still refuse to commit their lives to Him.
    - How precious are those of succeeding generations who have not seen, yet believe.
- John 20:29 NKJV**  
*"Jesus said to him, 'Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'"*
- (b) Care to be extended to the child (Mark 5:43b).
- (1) The loving, caring Christ suggest that the child should be given something to eat.
- This affirms that the child was not only raised to life but to good health; healthy enough to have an appetite for meat.
  - It is also worthwhile to point out what even new-born babes in Christ desire the sincere milk (1 Peter 2:1-2).
  - See also the charge given by Christ after His resurrection (before His ascension) to Peter in John 21:15-17.
- (2) Christ, being God, when at first, He had made man, provided food for him, and food for the earth which He made (Gen. 1:29); so now when He had given a new life (Jairus daughter Mark 5:42), he took care that something should be given to eat.
- (3) **Beloved, Christ not only give life, He also give lively-hood because the life is more than meat** (Matt. 6:25).
- (4) Where Christ have given *spiritual life*, He will provide food for the support and nourishment of it unto life eternal, for He will *never forsake*, or be wanting to the *work of His own hands* (2 Tim. 1:12-14; 2 Chron. 16:9a; Psa. 20:1-2; 54:4; Col. 2:7; 1 Peter 5:10).

**Closing Thought**

The following is a quote by David Guzik . . . he focused on the thought: “. . . **were overcome with great amazement**” (Mark 5:21-43, NB v. 42b).

*“Jesus didn’t fail Jairus, and He didn’t fail the woman who needed healing. But in ministering to both, He needed to stretch the faith of Jairus extra far.*

*In all this we see how the work of Jesus is different, yet the same, among each individual. If Jesus can touch each need so personally, He can touch our needs the same way.*

1. *Jairus had 12 years of sunshine that were about to be extinguished. The woman had 12 years of agony that seemed hopeless to heal.*
2. *Jairus was an important man, the ruler of the synagogue. The woman was a nobody. We don’t even know her name.*
3. *Jairus was probably wealthy because he was an important man. The woman was a nobody because she spent all her money on doctors.*
4. *Jairus came publicly. The woman came secretly.*
5. *Jairus thought Jesus had to do a lot to heal his daughter. The woman thought all she needed was to touch Jesus’ garment.*
6. *Jesus responded to the woman immediately. Jesus responded to Jairus after a delay.*
7. *Jairus daughter was healed secretly. The woman was healed publicly.”*

I quoted the following song in my Newsletter for August 2023 and find it worthwhile repeating at this time.

**“I Know a Man Who Can:** by George Jones

I Can’t take a heart that’s broken, Make it over again  
 But I know a man who can  
 I can’t take a soul that’s sin sick and make it white as the snow  
 But I know a man who can

**Refrain**

Some call Him Savior the Redeemer of all men  
 I call Him Jesus for He’s my dearest friend  
 If you feel that no one loves you and your life is hard

I know a man who can  
I can't walk upon the waters or calm the troubled sea  
But I know a man who can  
And I can't cause the blind eyes to open Or make the lame to walk again  
But I know a man who can.

**DO NOT JUST READ THE BIBLE, STUDY AND OBEY IT!**

**2 Tim. 2:15 NKJV**

“Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”

**2 Tim. 3:16 NKJV**

“All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.”

## MARK 5 SERIES PART 2 PART C

### Review Questions

1. Complete the following:

Taken from "Brief Overview of Mark 5:35-43".

"It is (a) \_\_\_\_\_ to remember that our (b) \_\_\_\_\_ is (c) \_\_\_\_\_ and (d) \_\_\_\_\_ one test or (e) \_\_\_\_\_ at a (f) \_\_\_\_\_ as God (g) \_\_\_\_\_ Himself (h) \_\_\_\_\_ and (i) \_\_\_\_\_ to be (j) \_\_\_\_\_ over and over again."

2. Complete by choosing the correct answer

One of the quotes used in our introduction

*"It's the painful testing that holds the possibility of powerful testimony – and every day trial \_\_\_\_\_."*

- (a) but steps in making false impression.
- (b) is but steps in triumphant march.
- (c) but steps moving toward eternal doom.
- (d) but steps in a losing battle.

3. Briefly explain this statement: **"There is not a fearful, despairing attitude in faith."**

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4. In Mark 5:35b, those that conveyed the report of the death of Jairus's daughter, also stated: **"Your daughter is dead, Why trouble the teacher any further?"** What message is communicated in: **"Why trouble the Teacher any further?"**

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9. What Christ meant when He stated that ***“The child is not dead, but asleep”*** (Mark 5:39b).

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10. What are some possible reasons why the professional mourners, insisted that the child was indeed dead?

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11. What are some reasons why Christ put the professional mourners out before raising Jairus’ daughter (Mark 5:40).

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12. In Mark 5:41a, we note: ***“He took the child by the hand”***: (a) Briefly explain the Greek usage for (1) ***“took”*** and (2) ***“hands.”*** (b) What was demonstrated by ***“taking the child’s hand”***?

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