

VCC - August 25-2019

Procurement of your miracle

Luke 8:40-56 (Companion texts - Matthew 9:18-26 and Mark 5:21-43)

40 “On the other side of the lake the crowds welcomed Jesus, because they had been waiting for him.

41 Then a man named Jairus, a leader of the local synagogue, came and fell at Jesus’ feet, pleading with him to come home with him. His only daughter, who was about twelve years old, was dying.

42 As Jesus went with him, he was surrounded (crushing throng) by the crowds.

43 A woman in the crowd had suffered for twelve years with constant bleeding, and she could find no cure.....

Mark 5:26-29

26 She had suffered a great deal from many doctors, and over the years she had spent everything she had to pay them, but she had gotten no better. In fact, she had gotten worse.

27 She had heard about Jesus, so she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his robe.

28 For she thought to herself, “If I can just touch his robe, I will be healed.”

29 Immediately the bleeding stopped, and she could feel in her body that she had been healed of her terrible condition.

44 Coming up behind Jesus, she touched the fringe of his robe. Immediately, the bleeding stopped.

45 “Who touched me?” Jesus asked. Everyone denied it, and Peter said, “Master, this whole crowd is pressing up against you.”

46 But Jesus said, “Someone deliberately touched me, for I felt healing power go out from me.”

47 When the woman realized that she could not stay hidden, she began to tremble and fell to her knees in front of him. The whole crowd heard her explain why she had touched him and that she had been immediately healed.

48 “Daughter,” he said to her, “your faith has made you well. Go in peace.”

49 While he was still speaking to her, a messenger arrived from the home of Jairus, the leader of the synagogue. He told him, “Your daughter is dead. There’s no use troubling the Teacher now.”

50 But when Jesus heard what had happened, he said to Jairus, “Don’t be afraid. Just have faith, and she will be healed.”

51 When they arrived at the house, Jesus wouldn’t let anyone go in with him except Peter, John, James, and the little girl’s father and mother.

52 The house was filled with people weeping and wailing, but he said, “Stop the weeping! She isn’t dead; she’s only asleep.”

53 But the crowd laughed at him because they all knew she had died.

54 Then Jesus took her by the hand and said in a loud voice, “My child, get up!”
55 And at that moment her life returned, and she immediately stood up! Then Jesus told them to give her something to eat.
56 Her parents were overwhelmed, but Jesus insisted that they not tell anyone what had happened.”

- **Observations from the 2 main characters in this story**

◇ **Jairus (ja-i'-rus) = He will enlighten or diffuse light**

Leader/Ruler of the Synagogue - Western shore - Capernaum - explain importance

NOTE - The character of Jairus through the text

Fell at Jesus feet before request

“Very sick daughter” - when your 12 year old is dying who cares about position or Possessions - No one cares if they're CEO of Synagogue

The stated office-bearers in every synagogue were ten, forming six distinct classes. We notice first the Archisynagogos, or ruler of the synagogue, who regulated all its concerns and granted permission to address the assembly. Of these there were three in each synagogue. Dr. Lightfoot believes them to have possessed a civil power, and to have constituted the lowest civil tribunal, commonly known as "the council of three," whose office it was to judge minor offences against religion, and also to decide the differences that arose between any members of the synagogue, as to money matters, thefts, losses, etc. To these officers there is perhaps an allusion in [1 Corinthians 6:5](#) . See also [Revelation 2:3](#) ..””

◇ **Woman - “with the issue of blood” 12 years**

She was unclean - shut out from normal life - her family life and religious life

Her name is not even recorded - guarantee she didn't care after being touch

Her condition - started the year the little girl was born

Women - 12 years bleeding - sought help from doctors - no cure

“Fearing people is a dangerous trap, but trusting the Lord means safety.”
Proverbs 29:25 NLT

Mention **Jonathan Helser** - “your daughter's not dead, she's just sleeping!”

- The Word of the Lord - "Your miracle is not dead"

◁ Procure your miracle - to obtain or get by care, effort, or the use of special means: FAITH is reason Jesus gives for both miracles

Let this build your faith

- **Humble Desperation** -

Question of What is Faith? No other solution - both facing death! Falling on your knees, beseeching God, Pushing through the crowds is enough - asking - going to the Lord in our time of need is Faith

- **You're not Unclean** - Your past does not define you - lineage, family of origin is not your projected future!
- **Delay or dormant** - delay is not denial, dormant faith needs to be released
- **Awareness of others miracles** - woman's healing should build faith in Jairus, Rejoice in other's answered prayer and miracles
- **News from "home"** - in contrast to the Word of Lord
- **Mocking of others** - don't expect others to understand, they'll even put you down and challenge your faith
- **Obedience** - can't tell anyone, daughter is to be the testimony

Jairus = diffuses light