

Don't Be Afraid; Only Believe

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35 While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?"

36 But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe."

37 And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. Mark 5:35-37

A Collision of Two Stories

21 And when Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea.

22 Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet

23 and implored him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live."

24 And he went with him. And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. Mark 5:21-24

25 And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years,

26 and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse.

27 She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment.

28 For she said, "If I touch even his garments, I will be made well." Mark 5:25-28

1. "Don't Be Afraid"

Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not fear... Mark 5:36

2. "Only Believe"

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3. Jesus Restricts the Crowd

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4. Faith Is Proven in the Walk, Not Just the Moment