

POWER OVER SICKNESS AND DEATH  
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Luke 8:40-56 Romans 1:18-21 Jeremiah 29:13 James 5:13-16

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<sup>40</sup> Now when Jesus returned, a crowd welcomed him, for they were all expecting him. <sup>41</sup> Then a man named Jairus, a synagogue leader, came and fell at Jesus' feet, pleading with him to come to his house <sup>42</sup> because his only daughter, a girl of about twelve, was dying.

As Jesus was on his way, the crowds almost crushed him. <sup>43</sup> And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years,<sup>[c]</sup> but no one could heal her. <sup>44</sup> She came up behind him and touched the edge of his cloak, and immediately her bleeding stopped.

<sup>45</sup> 'Who touched me?' Jesus asked.

When they all denied it, Peter said, 'Master, the people are crowding and pressing against you.'

<sup>46</sup> But Jesus said, 'Someone touched me; I know that power has gone out from me.'

<sup>47</sup> Then the woman, seeing that she could not go unnoticed, came trembling and fell at his feet. In the presence of all the people, she told why she had touched him and how she had been instantly healed. <sup>48</sup> Then he said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace.'

<sup>49</sup> While Jesus was still speaking, someone came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. 'Your daughter is dead,' he said. 'Don't bother the teacher anymore.'

<sup>50</sup> Hearing this, Jesus said to Jairus, 'Don't be afraid; just believe, and she will be healed.'

<sup>51</sup> When he arrived at the house of Jairus, he did not let anyone go in with him except Peter, John and James, and the child's father and

mother. <sup>52</sup> Meanwhile, all the people were wailing and mourning for her. 'Stop wailing,' Jesus said. 'She is not dead but asleep.'

<sup>53</sup> They laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. <sup>54</sup> But he took her by the hand and said, 'My child, get up!' <sup>55</sup> Her spirit returned, and at once she stood up. Then Jesus told them to give her something to eat. <sup>56</sup> Her parents were astonished, but he ordered them not to tell anyone what had happened.

ARE YOU SEEING THE PICTURE HERE?

A crowd of people on one side of the lake want Jesus to get away. On the other side of the lake, others welcomed Christ.

When you talk to someone about Jesus in California, you feel like your imposing. Overseas people are listening, that's why we emphasize missions.

Jairus is the ruler of the synagogue. He falls at Jesus' feet and begs him to come heal his daughter.

Many of you are successful in the world's eyes, and it is very easy to be arrogant.

You have accomplished a lot, but you need to fall at the feet of Jesus. That's what Jairus did. Jesus went with Jairus (v. 42) Crowds almost crushed Him. When you are in a mob, you get scared about being trampled. They almost suffocated Christ. He is so popular. There was a woman there, the woman with the issue of blood.

Who touched me? Jesus said. "I know that power has gone out from me."

"Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace. "

Mark explained that this woman with the issue of blood had spent everything she had, and she touched the edge of his garment.

Everyone almost suffocated Jesus. Seeing that she couldn't go unnoticed. She had an embarrassing problem. Why is that? She probably reasoned, "He probably is going to know, if He healed me."

"Daughter, your faith has healed you." He was correcting her. Her faith had healed her.

While Jesus was still speaking, someone from Jairus' household said, "Your daughter is dead. Don't bother the teacher anymore." How would you feel?

I know there are lots of feelings going through his mind. I would be mad. If this woman hadn't touched him, He wouldn't have missed the opportunity to get his daughter well.

If we truly understand the sovereignty of God, we understand that people don't get in God's way.

Hearing this, Jesus said, "Jairus, don't be afraid. Just believe."

Jairus believed Jesus could heal her, but now his daughter is dead. But she died, this is another level of trust.

**God may teach you and yet He wants to take your faith to another level. Jesus said, "To him He has, the more will he be given."**

Jairus is given more faith. Verse 51. Jesus only let Peter, James and John and the parents go into the little girl's room. Jesus was hiding the miracle? The widow's son, who died, the son was resurrected publicly. Lazarus was dead for three days, but Jesus is publicly raises him.

Why the private resurrection? Probably because of the unbelieving crowd. "Stop wailing." Jesus said. "She is not dead but asleep." The mourners scoffed. Jesus told them to give her something to eat. Jairus' daughter was not in a state from which she can awaken.

The man who doubts is double-minded. He shouldn't expect to see any miracles. Christ doesn't let the faithless to see His power. He shows his power to those who believe.

“She is not dead but asleep.” Some say death is “soul sleep.” That is not what the Bible teaches.

Philippians 1: “I long to depart and be with Christ which is far better.” I’d rather depart and be with Christ. 2 Corinthians 5:8-Away from this body and present with the Lord.”

Revelation 6: When he broke the fifth seal, he saw the souls martyred, speaking to God in His presence.

The Bible teaches our spirits go to heaven immediately, but our physical bodies will be raised and we will have a spiritual body. “To be absent with the body is to be at home with the Lord.”

Verse 55: “Her spirit returned to her body.” My spirit, my life, is moving. My spirit moves my body. Once the soul leaves, my body will be lifeless.

When we die, we don’t even really die. I did a funeral for someone, they are not here, but are worshipping in heaven. If I die, just say “His body just fell off.”

John 3:16: If we believe in Him, we will never perish but have eternal life.

Jairus’ daughter stands up. “Give her something to eat.” The parents are astonished. But Jesus says not to tell anyone.

Some of you hear this, and you are skeptical. You read the National Enquirer that a mummy has a baby. Are you kidding?

Romans 1:18:

“The wrath of God...is going to be revealed.” Men know there is a God, but we don’t want to believe in Him, they want to suppress the truth. Any human being can look at His Divine nature can be clearly seen in what He made.

You will see God in nature. The beauty screams God. "Amazing how this evolved from nothing?"

It's aliens who created this? We come up with theories to deny Him. You know in your heart this is no accident, if you want to pursue Him.

Jeremiah 29 "If you seek me you will find me, if you seek Him with all your heart."

You may say, "I don't believe like you do." Hebrews 11:6- "Without faith it is impossible to please God."

As you pursue God with all of your heart, you will see God in this Book. There is no way this could be made up. God still loved us.

God tells us "My wrath should be poured out on you, but I poured out my wrath on my Son. My Son rises from the grave so that you can have eternal life."

If you haven't found God, maybe you aren't looking for Him.

Some of you, if Jesus were in the flesh today, you would find Him and seek Him out. What do we do when we are ill?

James 5: This is what we do if we are sick.

"<sup>4</sup> Is anyone among you ill? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup> And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup> Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective."

James makes it clear what to do-call for the elders, confession of sin, the elders are righteous men, anoint you with oil and pray for you.

Nowhere in Scripture tells to find a faith healer. Go to the elders of the church. The issue is what James says, YOU call. It's your faith, the prayer of faith heals.

Does God heal everyone? Is that God's will that we live to 110? Men of God who were sick, Paul had a thorn in the flesh. Timothy had this stomach problem. 2 Timothy 4-Trophimus was left, he was sick.

Why don't we see the raising of the dead? If you are a believer, why would you want to be raised from the dead?

To live is Christ and to die is gain.

Once I am dead, leave me alone. I want to transition from life on earth to life in the presence of God.

At my funeral, wear what you want, have a good time. I'm in heaven.

As an elder board, we have seen miraculous things, but it always come from prayer.

This year has been amazing at our church. We have seen so many answers to prayer.

You are stupid if you do not pray. God longs to do some amazing things.

(Video)

The video shows a husband and wife who tell their story. God woke them up one morning at 4:00 a.m. to pray. On the way to work, the husband was in a massive car accident. The vehicle was completely flattened and mangled. The driver saw an angel pull him out of the car. He was unscathed except for a few lacerations. The first responders brought the jaws of life to try to extract the body. The body was not there. He was alive and giving God the glory!