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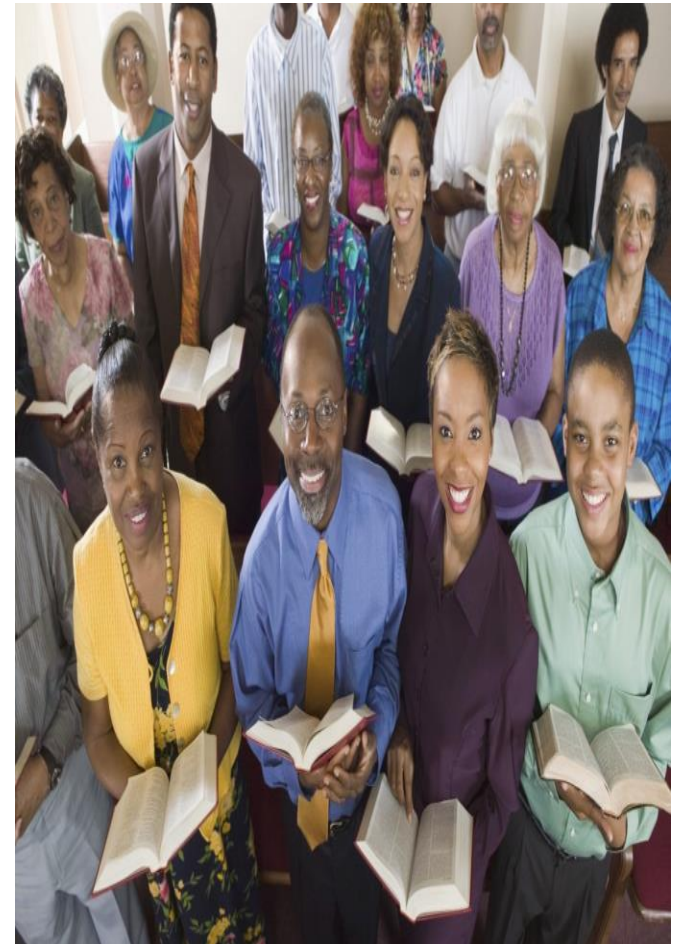
Loving ...

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Living ...

Leading ...

*By the Word
of God*





THE
MIRACLES
OF JESUS

THE DAY THEY LAUGHED AT A FUNERAL



THE RAISING OF JAIRUS' DAUGHTER

MARK 5:21-24, 35-43 (cf. Matt.9:18-19, 23-26; Luke 8:41-42, 49-56)

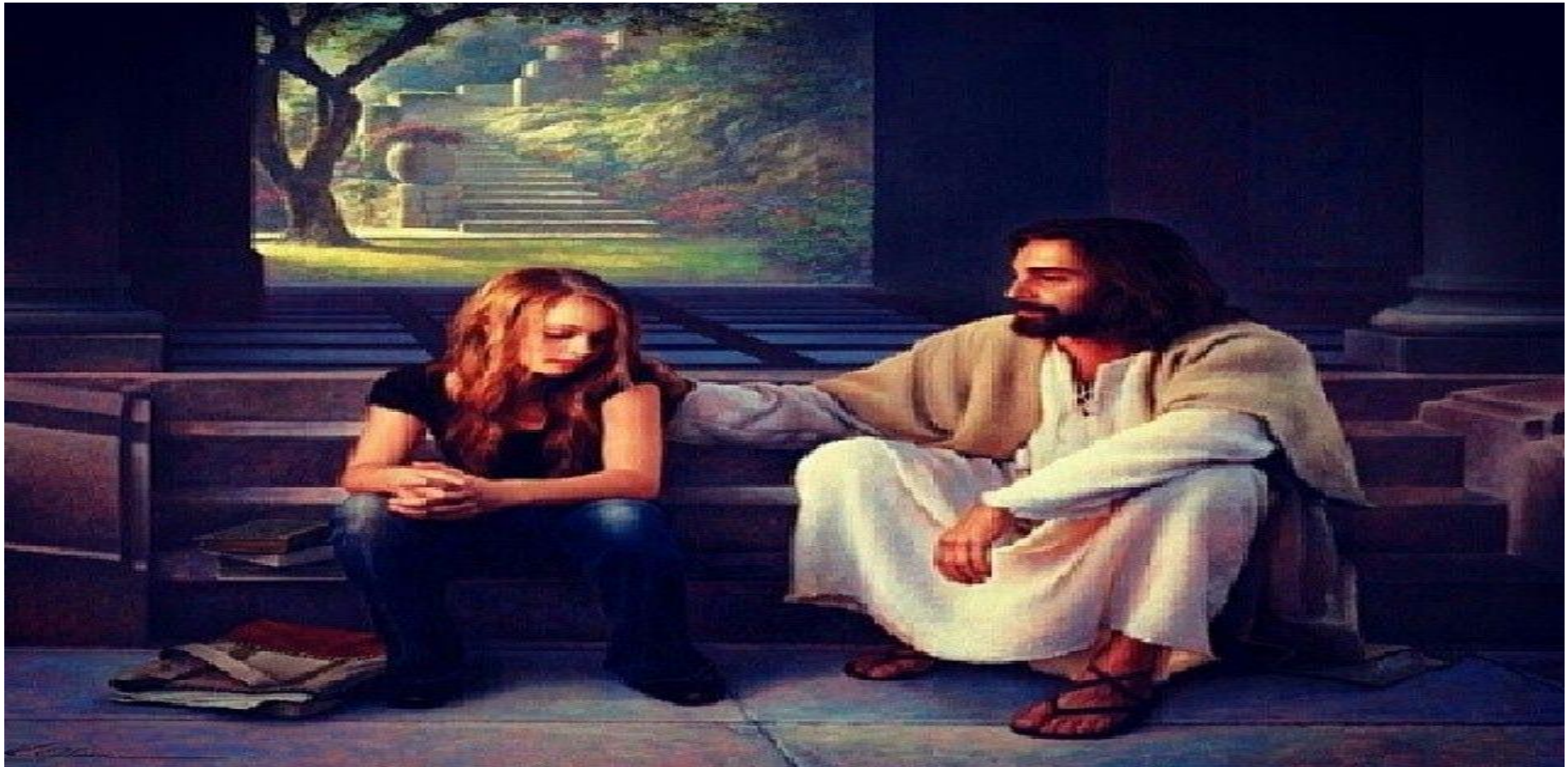
INTRODUCTION

- No question disturbs us more than the question "**Why???**"
 - "Why" did God let this happen to me?
 - "Why" didn't God answer my prayer for help?
 - "Why" does God allow evil things to happen?

why
does bad stuff
happen to me?



- While God does not always give us full answers to the "Why" questions in this earthly life, He does give us a way of looking at the difficult question of "Why."



- **LESSON:** Christ gives us a new way at looking at the difficult question of “Why.”
- From the miracle of the raising of Jairus' daughter from the dead, we will learn five insights that will give us a new way at looking at the difficult question of "Why."



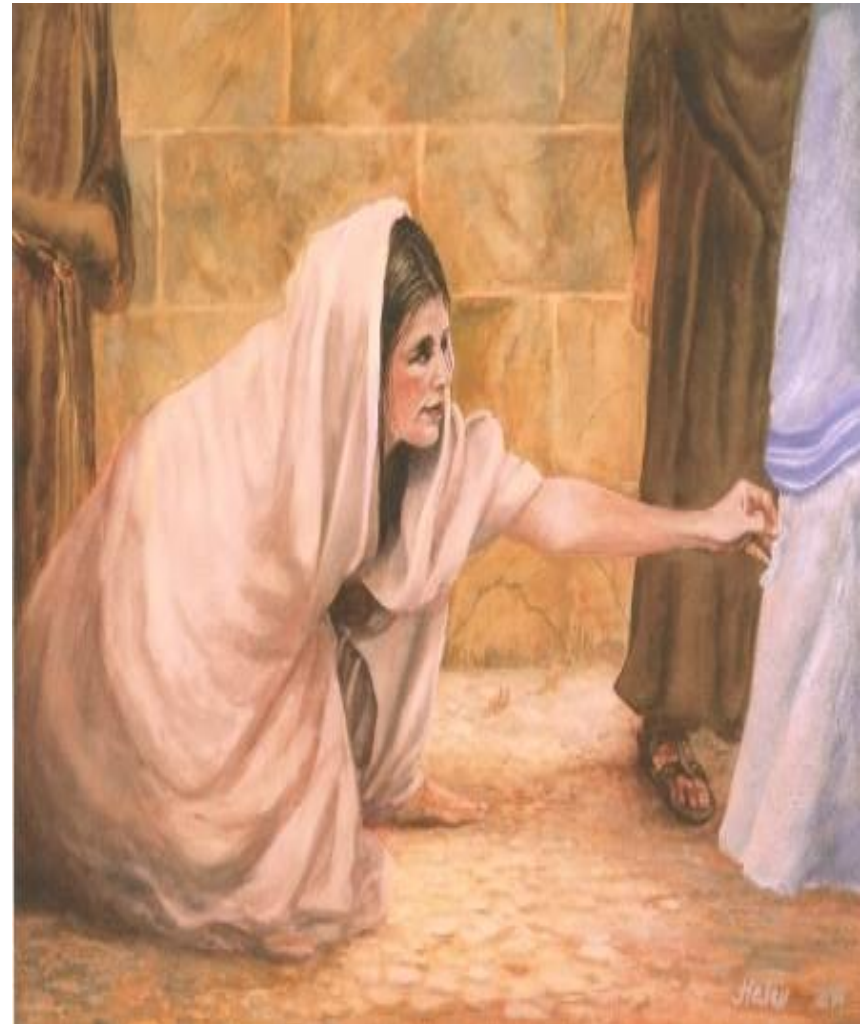
IN TIMES OF DISTRESS, CHRIST IS WILLING (Mark 5:21-24)



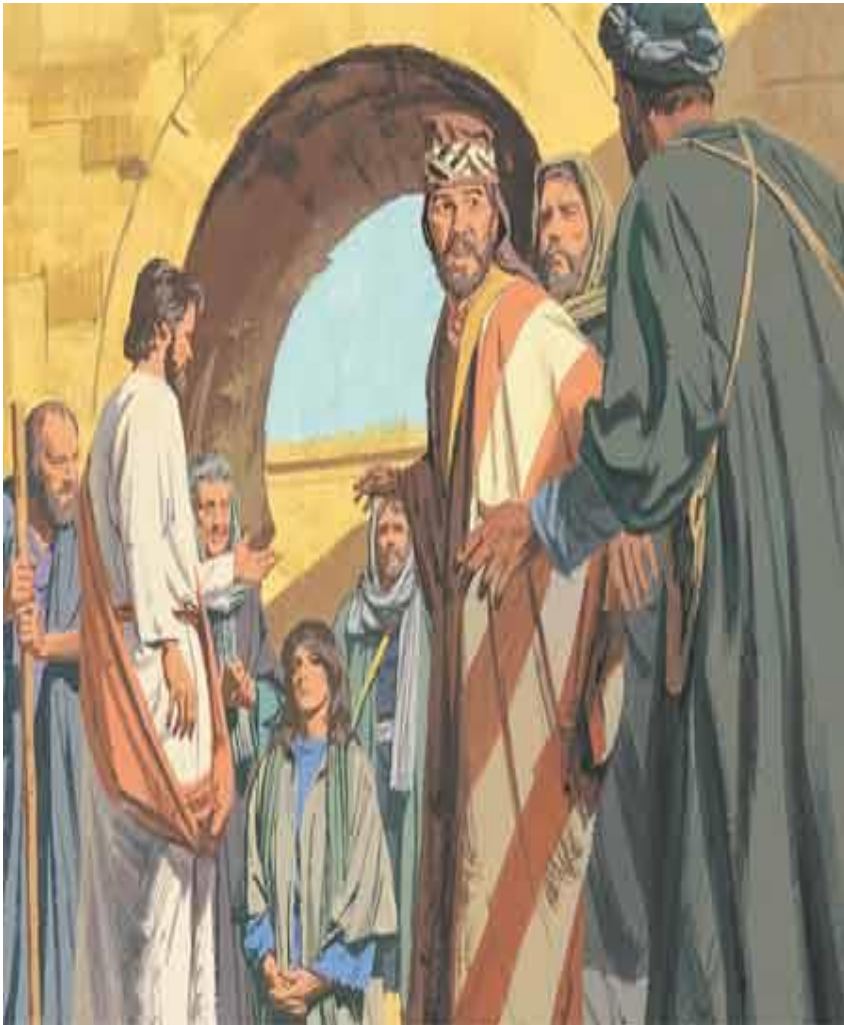
- **The Problem:** Jairus' daughter was at the point of **death**, and her loving father was at the point of **despair**.
- **The Petition:** The father begged Jesus to come to his house and lay His hands on his daughter.
- **The Point:** Jesus stands ready to help those who come to the throne of grace

IN TIMES OF DELAY, CHRIST IS WORKING (Mark 5:25-34)

- **The Delay:** The incident of the woman who touched the hem of Jesus' garment.
- **The Determination**
 - To show what faith is.
 - To show what the power of Christ is like.
- **The Point:** When we cannot see or understand the "Why" of God's delay, we must trust the One who has promised never to leave or forsake us.



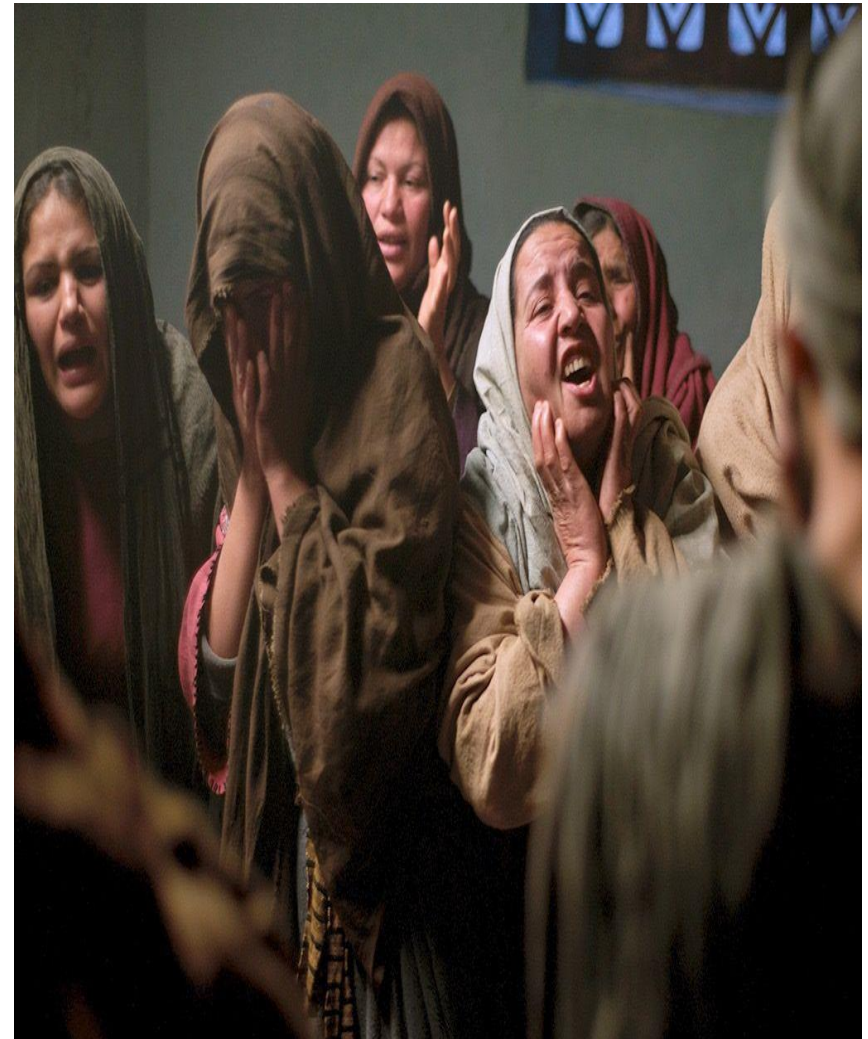
IN TIMES OF DISAPPOINTMENT, CHRIST IS WATCHING (Mark 5:35-36)



- **The Message of Disappointment:** What Jairus feared the most happened--his daughter died before Jesus could get there and lay his hands on her.
- **The Message Against Doubt:** Just when Jairus had lost all hope, Jesus commanded him to stop being afraid and to keep on believing (e.g., in His ability and power).
- **The Point:** The Lord can give hope in a situation that seems hopeless.

IN TIMES OF DELIVERANCE, CHRIST IS WONDERFUL (Mark 5:37-42)

- **Powerful to Command:** Only Peter, James and John were permitted to go with Him (for personal specific instruction)
- **Powerful to Correct**
 - The commotion by the professional mourners and the implication of hopelessness that comes with death.
 - The ridicule by the professional mourners and the implication of the permanency of death.
 - **Note:** Christ permitted them to laugh but not witness the miracle!!





- **Powerful to Call to Life!!**
 - Only six people were allowed in the room: the three disciples, the parents, and the Lord.
 - The Lord took the dead hand (which act made Him ceremonially unclean), spoke to the body, and instantly the child rose and began to walk about.
 - It is always the voice of the Lord that raises the dead on earth (Luke 7:14; John 11:43) and in the future (John 5:28).
- **Point:** The Lord has the sovereign authority over life and death—thus, no earthly problem is a problem for Him!!

IN TIMES OF DIRECTION, CHRIST IS WISE (Mark 5:43)

- **Direction Concerning the Facts**
 - Jesus ordered the parents not to spread the news about what happened.
 - Christ told them to feed the child
- **The Point:**
 - People would know what happened by the child herself being seen!!
 - Christ wanted people to see the results of what He did and then make up their minds about Him.
 - Christ does not want people to respond to sensationalism, He wants people to respond to who He is and what He has done for them on the cross.



RECEIVE THE LORD JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR
SAVIOUR TODAY!!



A CHALLENGE FOR YOU

- We will always be asking the question “**Why**”
- God will not give us the answers to the question “Why,” but He will give us new insights that give us a new perspective on our difficult times.
- **Have you looked at your situation from God’s perspective??**

- 1. Acknowledge** that the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, **died** on the cross for your sin, and that He **arose** again from the dead on the third day.
- 2. Admit** that you are a sinner, **guilty** of sin and **responsible** and **accountable** to a holy God for your sin, and that you are under His just condemnation and eternal punishment for your sin.
- 3. Accept** the Lord Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour by **receiving** His provision of salvation through your faith in Him alone.