

The Promise of Peace

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Mark 5:21-43 “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. 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.’ ²⁹ And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰ And Jesus, perceiving in Himself that power had gone out from Him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, ‘Who touched My garments?’ ³¹ And His disciples said to Him, ‘You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, “Who touched Me?”’ ³² And He looked around to see who had done it. ³³ But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before Him and told Him the whole truth. ³⁴ And He said to her, ‘Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.’

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. ³⁸ They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹ And when He had entered, He said to them, ‘Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping.’ ⁴⁰ And they laughed at Him. But He put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with Him and went in where the child was. ⁴¹ Taking her by the hand He said to her, ‘Talitha cumi,’ which means, ‘Little girl, I say to you, arise.’ ⁴² And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. ⁴³ And He strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.”

I. This Passage Takes Place After Jesus has Shown Authority Over Nature and the Spiritual Realm.

Mark 4:39 “And He awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, ‘Peace! Be still!’ And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.”

Mark 5:13 “So He gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the pigs; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea and drowned in the sea.”

II. The Two Main Characters Interacting with Jesus Occupy Opposite Ends of the Economic, Social, and Religious Spectrum.

- A. Jairus (Mark 5:21-24a)
 - a. He is a male.
 - b. He has a name.
 - c. He has honor and can approach Jesus directly.

- B. The Bleeding Woman (Mark 5:24b-27)
 - a. She is a female.
 - b. She remains nameless.
 - c. She is ceremonially unclean.

III. Both of Them Come to Jesus in Faith.

- A. Faith can look different, but must be directed at Jesus.
- B. Faith pushes through any obstacle.
- C. Faith requires action.
- D. Faith drives us by desperation to trust in the sufficiency of Jesus.

IV. Jesus Expresses His Authority AND Addresses Their Humanity.

- A. Jesus stops and recognizes the woman.
- B. Jesus says, "Talitha cumi" and gives her something to eat.

John 1:14 "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth."

Ephesians 4:15 "Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ.."

V. Jesus Enters Our World and Offers Us Peace.

"As He moves about He leaves behind Him a trail of transformed scenes and changed situations—fishermen no longer at their nets, sick people restored to health, critics confounded, a storm stilled, hunger assuaged, a dead girl raised to life. Jesus' presence is an active and instantly transforming presence: He is never the mere observer of the scene or the one who waits upon events but always the transformer of the scene and the initiator of events."

~ V.H. Vanstone

John 14:27 "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."

Romans 5:1-2 "Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ² Through Him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God."