Mark 5:21-43

3 Clarifications Of Waiting On Jesus' Intervention With Hope And Expectation



Context/Background

- Mark here shows Jesus and Disciples return to Capernaum (across Sea of Galilee)
- Mark very detailed; shows Jesus' true identity as Messiah, Savior of world
- From Mark 4:35 through Chapter 5, Mark shows Jesus has ALL authority and power; has power over storms, demons, disease, and even death
- Roman audience interested with authority/victory
- Verses; 2 distinct miracles that display Jesus' compassion, power, and authority

We Can Wait On Jesus Despite Our Circumstances

- (vv.21-23 & vv.25-28) Jesus encounters man with desperate need; only daughter is at point of death
- Jairus; Ruler of synagogue (Jewish house of worship) Overseer and manager of building and services
- •While on way with Jairus, another encounter; woman with terrible issue of blood touches hem of Jesus' outer garment
- This woman; outcast of society, suffered 12 years and was no better after spending all on doctors
- Both Jairus and woman, terrible suffering yet both saw hope in Jesus

•Matt. 11:28, "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

• Ps. 46:1, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."



We Can Wait On Jesus Despite The Skeptics

- (vv.33-40a) After touch, woman instantly healed! Jesus could have kept going but He stopped everything
- Woman had fearful skepticism; would this be taken away? Jesus affirms her publicly to dispel fear
- Wanted her to know "her faith" was answer, not His clothes; "Daughter", Jesus, you will always have a place with Me
- Jairus meantime, hears news his daughter is dead; all hope seems gone, now Jairus skeptical
- Jesus arrives at house; professional mourners putting on show; they ridicule Jesus until He raises girl from dead
- There will always be skeptics and doubters

• Ps. 14:1, "The fool has said in his heart, 'There is no God."

•I Cors. 2:14, "But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."

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We Can Wait On Jesus Despite Our Preferences

- (vv.29-31 & vv.40b-43) Certainty both these sufferers would have preferred to have no problems at all
- Also, when problems did come, certain they wanted them to end quickly
- Woman: suffered physically, economically, socially, spiritually for 12 long years
- If not sick for 12 years probably would have missed Jesus and His salvation
- Jairus only child dies and had to wait on Jesus; yet he and his family experienced Easter! His daughter was raised from the dead; great miracle

• Lamentations 3:25-26, "The Lord is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul who seeks Him. It is good that one should hope and wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord."

