

# "LITTLE GIRL, GET UP" MARK 5:35-43

### Death touches all:

### **HEBREWS 9:27**

<sup>27</sup> And just as it is appointed for man to die once...

## Declarations of faith are followed by increased hardships;

#### 1 PETER 4:12

<sup>12</sup> Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.

## Jesus: the Protector of fragile faith;

### **LUKE 8:50**

<sup>50</sup> But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and *she will be well.*"

#### **ISAIAH 42:3**

<sup>3</sup> ...a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench...

## Fear must displace faith;

### The loud mourners:

### **LUKE 23:27**

<sup>27</sup> And there followed him a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him.

## **MATTHEW 9:23**

<sup>23</sup> And when Jesus came to the ruler's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion...

## Although we will not actually sleep, God wants the believer to see death in sleep-like ways;

## **JOHN 11:11**

11 "he said to them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep..."

### **MATTHEW 27:52**

<sup>52</sup> The tombs also were opened. And many bodies of the saints who had *fallen asleep* were raised...

### **1 CORINTHIANS 15:18**

<sup>18</sup> Then those also who have *fallen asleep in Christ* have perished.

## All disciples face same decision: Stand with Christ against popular opinion, or follow the crowd?;

# 2 PETER 3:3

<sup>3</sup> knowing this first of all, *that scoffers will come* in the last days with scoffing, following their own sinful desires.

## **GENESIS 18:11-13**

<sup>11</sup> Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. <sup>12</sup> So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?" <sup>13</sup> The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?'

Scripture's presentation of genuine faith: A disposition of mind and heart that takes God at His word regardless of how things appear to be;

### **GENESIS 15:5-6**

<sup>5</sup> And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." <sup>6</sup> And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

## Why does Jesus limit the witnesses?

Their unbelief excludes them from witnessing the greatest miracle to date;

### MARK 6:5-6

<sup>5</sup> And *he could do no mighty work there*, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. <sup>6</sup> And he marveled because of their unbelief. And he went about among the villages teaching.

Mighty works by God will never change anyone's mind;

#### LUKE 16:31

<sup>31</sup> He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'"

The one will not believe Jesus' words will remain unconvinced in the face of mighty works;

#### ACTS 2:22

<sup>22</sup> "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man *attested to you* by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst…

Jesus' (not so gentle) touch;

### **MATTHEW 12:11**

<sup>11</sup> He said to them, "Which one of you who has a sheep, if it falls into a pit on the Sabbath, will not *take hold of it* and lift it out?

#### **MATTHEW 14:3**

<sup>3</sup> For Herod had *seized* John and bound him and put him in prison...

## **MATTHEW 18:28**

<sup>28</sup> But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and *seizing* him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.'

Mark's unique inclusion of the Aramaic;

## MARK 3:17

<sup>17</sup> James the son of Zebedee and John the brother of James (to whom he gave the name *Boanerges, that is, Sons of Thunder*);

#### MARK 7:11

<sup>11</sup> But you say, 'If a man tells his father or his mother, "Whatever you would have gained from me is *Corban*" (that is, given to God)—

## MARK 7:34

<sup>34</sup> And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened."

### MARK 10:46

<sup>46</sup> And they came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, *Bartimaeus*, a blind beggar, *the son of Timaeus*, was sitting by the roadside.

#### MARK 14:36

<sup>36</sup> And he said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Remove this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."

## Jesus' tender power;

## ISAIAH 40:10-14

<sup>10</sup> Behold, the Lord GoD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. <sup>11</sup> He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young. <sup>12</sup> Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? <sup>13</sup> Who has measured the Spirit of the LORD, or what man shows him his counsel? <sup>14</sup> Whom did he consult, and who made him understand? Who taught him the path of justice, and taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding?

## The main point: the Son of God's power over death

## REVELATION 1:18

<sup>18</sup> ...behold I am alive forevermore, and *I have the keys of Death and Hades*.

## JOHN 11:25-26

<sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, <sup>26</sup> and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

Why the command to silence?;

## The connection between resurrection and eating;

## **LUKE 24:30-31**

<sup>30</sup> When he was at table with them, *he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them.* <sup>31</sup> And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight.

#### **LUKE 24:41**

<sup>41</sup> And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?"

## JOHN 21:12-13

<sup>12</sup> *Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast."* Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup> *Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish.* 

### **REVELATION 19:9**

<sup>9</sup> And the angel said to me, "Write this: *Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb."* And he said to me, "These are the true words of God."