

Luke 8:40-42; 48-56

- ✓ He could have walked through the crowds and healed by just touching,
 - ✓ but He takes time with each one because each one affects Him personally.
 - ✓ **Verses 48-56;** "Daughter," the first and only time Jesus refers to someone this way; then immediately a different daughter has died.
 - ✓ One was sick for twelve years with her whole life behind her, and the other was 12 years old with her whole life ahead of her.
 - ✓ This is no coincidence! None is more or less important to Him; there is not triage for needs!
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1. Jairus is all about Jesus.

- ✓ Can almost bet that he wasn't prior to this. Jesus was entertainment or maybe a nuisance prior, but not anymore.
 - ✓ He's definitely had a change of heart! Men didn't throw themselves on the ground in this patriarchal society; they didn't bow down to anyone.
 - ✓ Desperation changed all that. Desperation simplifies life.
 - ✓ Desperation makes you flexible; all his rigid doctrines got thrown out. He doesn't care who sees him and he doesn't care about his association with Jesus.
 - ✓ "Blessed are the poor in spirit;" "poor" means "cringing beggar" in the Greek.
 - ✓ **Matthew 9:18;** Desperation leads to a better understanding of things.
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2. Jesus gives us the right perspective on death.

- ✓ If you are looking for a religion and religious leader, you'd be wise to find one that has power over mankind's universal enemy, death.
 - ✓ The tombs of the world's religious leaders are all occupied with one exception; Jesus' tomb has sat empty since the third day He was placed there!
 - ✓ In the near east, in the first century, funerals started almost immediately.
 - ✓ Typically, a burial would take place the same day as the death.
 - ✓ You paid respect to the dead through three different means.
 - 1) Rip your clothes.
 - 2) Hire professional women to scream and wail.
 - 3) Flute players were hired as well, not for soft music, but loud shrill playing so that it would stand out.
 - ✓ Jesus tells them all that they are wrong about death; that they are just sleeping.
 - ✓ He says the same thing about Lazarus before He raises him from the dead. **John 11:11**
 - ✓ He redefines death, a short sleep; fall asleep in this life and awaken in the next one.
1st Corinthians 15:51; 1st Thessalonians 4:13-14.
 - ✓ For those who sleep in Christ, death is our friend. **Philippians 1:21; 1:23**
 - ✓ Jesus has come to deliver us from death itself and even the fear of it, **Hebrews 2:15.**
 - ✓ Notice Jesus words to Jairus. **Verse 50** either cry or cling to His word.
 - ✓ Delay is excruciating. Learn that Jesus is up to good, and His timing is perfect.
 - ✓ He's still on His way to your situation, but you can save yourself a lot of heart-ache if you will believe now.
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