**Jairus’ daughter: Mark 5: 21-24; 35-42**

Points to Stress:

1. Jesus heals even when people have died, He can raise them from the dead. However, anointing of the sick is only for people who are still alive.

2. We must have faith in Jesus’ love and power to heal

When Jesus had crossed again [in the boat] to the other side, a large crowd gathered around him, and he stayed close to the sea.[c](https://bible.usccb.org/bible/mark/5#49005021-c) One of the synagogue officials, named Jairus, came forward.[d](https://bible.usccb.org/bible/mark/5#49005022-d) Seeing him he fell at his feet and pleaded earnestly with him, saying, “My daughter is at the point of death. Please, come lay your hands on her[\*](https://bible.usccb.org/bible/mark/5#49005023-1) that she may get well and live.” He went off with him, and a large crowd followed him and pressed upon him. While he was still speaking, people from the synagogue official’s house arrived and said, “Your daughter has died; why trouble the teacher any longer?” Disregarding the message that was reported, Jesus said to the synagogue official, “Do not be afraid; just have faith.” He did not allow anyone to accompany him inside except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they arrived at the house of the synagogue official, he caught sight of a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly.  So he went in and said to them, “Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep.” And they ridiculed him. Then he put them all out. He took along the child’s father and mother and those who were with him and entered the room where the child was.  He took the child by the hand and said to her, “*Talitha koum*,” which means, “Little girl, I say to you, arise!” The girl, a child of twelve, arose immediately and walked around. [At that] they were utterly astounded.

Example meditation:

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered around him, and he stayed close to the sea. One of the synagogue officials, named Jairus, came forward. You are with Jesus and see all these people crowding around. One man looks really rich and important. He is Jairus, a synagogue official. He teaches people about God. Jairus fell at Jesus’ feet and pleaded earnestly with him, saying, “My daughter is at the point of death Please, come lay your hands on her-that she may get well and live.” Wow! This man is super fancy, yet he is on the ground pleading with Jesus, who looks very plain and kind of dusty from all the walking. He must be really desperate. What will Jesus do? Everyone is shocked this high official even touched the ground. Normally synagogue officials never bowed to anyone. Jesus went off with him, and a large crowd followed him and pressed upon him. People from the synagogue official’s house arrived and said, “Your daughter has died; why trouble the teacher any longer?” You see Jairus’ face fall as he realizes his daughter is dead. Everyone starts to leave since Jesus was too late, but Jesus disregarded the message that was reported and said to the synagogue official, “Do not be afraid; just have faith.” What will Jesus do? Can he raise from the dead? He did not allow anyone to accompany him inside except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. You feel special because you are allowed in too. Something really big must be happening! When they arrived at the house of the synagogue official, he caught sight of a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. So he went in and said to them, “Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep.” And they ridiculed him. Does he not know that they can see she is dead? What can anyone do to help someone already dead. But they don’t know Jesus is God. Then he put them all out. He took along the child’s father and mother and those who were with him and entered the room where the child was. You see the girl lying lifeless on her bed. She is not breathing and looks grey. He took the child by the hand and said to her, “*Talitha koum*,” which means, “Little girl, I say to you, arise!” The girl, a child of twelve, arose immediately and walked around. [At that] they were utterly astounded. Wow! Jesus just raised this girl from the dead? Are you shocked? What do you think? Jairus had faith. Do you have faith that Jesus can do anything?