

Faith stands, commands, and it is so.

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In every believer's life, there comes a time when circumstances tell you, this time you're not going through. The devil will tell you, Oh, you may have made it last time, but this time it's different. There's no way this time. You're done for. Give up and go sit down. You're in **way** over your head this time. And even your friends give you no hope. But that isn't what Jesus taught.

Let's read the story starting in Luke 8:41, and I'm going to teach afterwards.

"And, behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue: and he fell down at Jesus' feet, and besought him, that he would come into his house:

For he had one only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she lay a dying. But as he went, the people thronged him.

And a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, which had spent all her living upon physicians, neither could be healed of any, came behind Him, and touched the border of His garment: and immediately her issue of blood stanch'd.

And Jesus said, Who touched me? When all denied, Peter and they that were with Him said, Master, the multitude throng thee and press thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me?

And Jesus said, Somebody hath touched me: for I perceive that virtue (power) is gone out of me.

And when the woman saw that she was not hid, she came trembling, and falling down before Him, she declared unto Him before all the people for what cause she had touched Him, and how she was healed immediately.

And He said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole: go in peace. While He yet spake, there cometh one from the ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, Thy daughter is dead: trouble not the master.

But when Jesus heard it, He answered him, saying, Fear not: Believe only, and she shall be made whole.

And when He came into the house, He suffered no man to go in, save Peter, and James, and John, and the father and the mother of the maiden.

and all wept, and bewailed her: but He said, Weep not; she is not dead, but sleepeth.

And they laughed Him to scorn, knowing that she was dead.

And He put them all out, and took her by the hand, and called, saying, Maid, arise.

And her spirit came again, and she arose straightway: and He commanded to give her meat.

And her parents were astonished: but He charged them that they should tell no man what was done."

Now, let me begin. Jairus was a ruler of the synagogue, a Jew, and they of the synagogue were certainly against what Jesus was teaching, and that's why the Jews were out to kill Jesus. The Jews didn't want all the world following after Jesus. By bowing down to Jesus like that in public, Jairus was putting his neck on the line, and most certainly his job. You'll notice not another word is ever said about him in the Bible after this incident which is told of in both Mark and Luke. But at this point, Jairus wasn't worried about his neck, but rather the life of his only daughter, and whether or not he wanted to admit it, he knew at this point Jesus was her only hope. And Jairus humbled himself before Jesus So Jesus went with him. After all, He was sent for the lost sheep of Israel, namely the Jews. And as Jesus and the disciples went, the multitude thronged them. So now a woman with an issue of blood for twelve years enters the picture. She had spent all she had on doctors, and was nothing better. This was something the doctors couldn't help. All they could do was try to help relieve her of her money, which they did, and for all this, she was no better, but worse. But she had heard of the miracles that Jesus was doing, and she had said (in Mark's version) **"If I may**

touch but His clothes, I shall be whole." Now let's keep in mind the Jewish laws of the day. She had an issue of blood. That made her unclean. An unclean person was required to yell, "Unclean, Unclean!" when in public, so people could avoid being touched by an unclean thing. The penalty for failure to do so was death by stoning. And she was sick and weak. She wasn't yelling "Unclean, unclean!" either. At this point, the threat of being stoned didn't stop her. She didn't have much to lose at this point. She was a desperate woman. And she pushed her way through the crowd with all her strength. She knew she only had one shot at this, because as soon as someone recognized her, she would be caught and stoned. Her eyes were upon Jesus. Pushing, shoving as she went, suddenly, she touched Jesus' garment.

On the statement she had made "If I may but touch His clothes, I shall be whole" was riding her very life. The power of God went through her, like a bolt of lightning, purging her of her sickness and making her whole in an instant of time, doing what twelve years of doctors and all her money could not do. Suddenly, she was whole. She was fearing and trembling, knowing what had been done in her. Jesus, knowing that healing power had gone out of Him, turned and looked about Him and said, "WHO TOUCHED ME???" This wasn't just someone pushing through the crowd that had touched Him, possibly out of curiosity to see what would happen. *This was a different kind of touch! This was a touch that took hold of heaven and grabbed the power of God and held on tight! This was a **faith touch!*** This was a touch that required something *right now!* And for that faith, *all the powers of hell could not deny her!* The power of the people could not deny her, there was absolutely no power in the universe at that point could have kept her from being healed. She didn't ask Jesus for healing, **she took it!** And when Jesus saw her, He knew her faith had made her whole. Notice Jesus did not say, "Daughter, my faith hath made thee whole. Go in peace, and be whole of thy plague." No! Jesus said, "Daughter, **thy** faith hath made thee whole. There is a faith that cannot, that will not, be denied. There is a faith that says "I have it now!" There is a faith that so trusts and believes God that no force of hell can stop it. And you can have that faith right now! Only believe, like she did!

Let's go on with the rest of the story. While Jesus yet spake, there came from the ruler of the synagogue's house which said, "**Thy daughter is dead. Why troublest thou the Master any further?**" And just as soon as Jesus heard that word spoken, He said unto Jairus, "**Be not afraid, only believe.**" There is a time to make a confession, and there is a time to keep your mouth shut and stand on your confession. Just a little while earlier, Jairus had bowed before Jesus and made the confession in front of a crowd, "**Come and lay hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live!**" Jesus knew that Jairus was about to open his mouth and undo that faith confession by saying, "My daughter is dead". But Jesus stopped him, and told him to do exactly the opposite of what the situation would normally require. He said to fear not, only believe. Jairus was standing there looking at fear coming at him like a stampede of elephants. He was about to believe his daughter had just died, and it all hope was gone for her now. All the crowd agreed. Don't you know, the crowd will agree with the devil every time? There is a time when you have to stand when it looks like you're all alone. It's just you and God. Not you and God and the whole world. No, the world will not stand with you when the elephants are stampeding at you. They tuck and run. You have to stand when it looks like you're sure to fall. And when you have done all, stand. That's all you can do now. And that was what Jesus told Jairus to do...stand. Don't let fear cause you to undo your confession of faith in God. It's like standing when the stampede is coming toward you, and you pointing your finger at them and yelling "STOP!" In the natural, we know what happens next. You're a greasy spot on the dirt. But we aren't dealing with the natural when God shows up! Let's go on.

Jesus allowed no man to follow Him except Peter, and James, and John the brother of James. He put away all the "No Faith" crowd. You know, sometimes it's the "church" people? I'm not just talking about the lost and unsaved. The lost and unsaved have an excuse...they don't know any better. Don't you know there's a time when you have to withdraw yourself from all the unbelievers. Even Jesus did. And when they arrived, the wailing and crying had already begun for Jairus' daughter. Jesus went in and said, "**Why make ye this ado, and weep? The damsel is not dead, but sleepeth.**" **And they laughed Him to scorn.** Don't you know that when you have made a faith confession, especially after what you were confessing is out of reach, the world will laugh at you? The world knows when someone is dead. This girl was dead. But Jesus said, she isn't dead but just asleep. Yeah, right, they said. This guy is insane. The whole crowd there was against God. Guess who wins?

Jesus put out all the unbelievers, went in with Peter, and James, and John and the parents of the girl. Yes, the unbelievers were put out, alright. They always are. They will scorn you, ridicule you, and say all kinds of

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bad stuff about you, just like they did Jesus. But that doesn't stop God. They went in to where Jairus' daughter was lying. And Jesus took the damsel by the hand and said, Damsel, I say unto thee, arise. And **straightway**, I love how God works like that, **straightway**, the damsel arose and walked. And they were astonished with **a great astonishment! Jesus wasn't. I said, Jesus wasn't. He knew. He didn't hope, He didn't beg. He commanded and it was so! There is a faith that stands, commands, and it is so! Take hold of heaven today....stand there and look the devil in the eye and don't back down. You don't have to. God is behind you. Faith doesn't back down. Faith stands, commands, and it is so! It worked for the woman with the issue of blood. It worked for Jesus. It will work for you.**

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