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SMALL GROUP STUDY GUIDE

Before Jesus was resurrected, he performed three resurrections. On our journey, there will come a time when we will need God to resurrect a situation on our behalf. Today we look at Jairus. Jairus was an official from a local synagogue that had heard of the miracles that Jesus performed. When Jairus found out that Jesus was coming, he made his way to him to plead for a healing on behalf of his daughter.

Mark 5:21-24, 35-36 NIV - [21] When Jesus had again crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake, a large crowd gathered around him while he was by the lake. [22] Then one of the synagogue leaders, named Jairus, came, and when he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet. [23] He pleaded earnestly with him, "My little daughter is dying. Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live." [24] So Jesus went with him.

[35] While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. "Your daughter is dead," they said. "Why bother the teacher anymore?"

[36] Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, "Don't be afraid; just believe."

- We are a people of faith not fact
- We have no other choice but to trust God
- Faith is our currency
- You cannot let the crowd stop you from getting to Jesus
- Your only assignment to believe and behave according to that belief

Recall a time where you need God to get involved in your situation, how did you exercise your faith? What level of faith do you need to believe and behave according to that belief?

Romans 6:4 NIV - We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

- I am not what I used to be because God gave me new life
- You have not reached your full potential
- Potential is latent dormant power, untapped resources
- God is going to help you reach your full potential

What does your new life look like? How are you maximizing your new life?

**HAVE YOU REACHED YOUR FULL POTENTIAL?
HAS YOUR BUSINESS REACHED ITS FULL POTENTIAL?
HAVE YOUR CHILDREN REACHED THEIR FULL POTENTIAL?
HAS YOUR DREAM/DESIRE BEEN COMPLETELY FULFILLED?**

JAIRUS ACTION

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HE CAME

HE SAW

HE FELL

HE PLEADED

- You know what the situation is , but what did God say
- This is a season of getting up and doing what God says
- This is a season of movement
- Your assignment is pursue after what God has promised

What actions are you taking to get what you need from God in this season?

James 2:18 NIV - But someone will say, "You have faith; I have deeds." Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds.

- Your faith pushes your actions
- Your actions activate your faith
- You will have to fight for what you want
- Protect yourself from being disappointed

How do you activate your faith when you feel discouraged?

IT GOES FROM BAD TO WORSE

Mark 5:35 NIV - While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. "Your daughter is dead," they said. "Why bother the teacher anymore?"

- Sometimes God will allow things to get worse before He moves
- God does what you cannot do
- God's glory is revealed when things get worse
- You will have options when things go from bad to worse

Recall a time in your life when things went from bad to worse, what was the situation and what happened in the end?

GOD SPECIALIZES IN THE WORSE

Mark 5:26 NIV - *She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse.*

YOU HAVE OPTIONS

A) YOU CAN ACCEPT "THE WORSE

B) YOU CAN BE DISAPPOINTED OR ANGRY WITH GOD BECAUSE IT GOT WORSE

C) YOU CAN WAIT AND BELIEVE GOD WILL RESURRECT IT FROM "THE WORSE."

- You are on display and "c" has to be your option
- Delay is not denial
- Your praise reaffirms your faith for you and others
- You've come too far by faith to quit now
- We serve a God that can stop something and start something at the same time

When things get worse, what is your normal response? After learning of Jairus' response, how will you now respond?

Mark 5:36 KJV - As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, he saith unto the ruler of the synagogue, Be not afraid, only believe.

- You can't believe what they say
- You have to believe what God say
- Wait and believe

Who convinced you to stop believing? Why did you trust them over God?

RESURRECTION COMES FROM WAITING AND BELIEVING

WAIT AND BELIEVE WHILE SOMEONE ELSE GETS A MIRACLE

Mark 5:27-29 NIV - [27] *When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, [28] because she thought, "If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed."* [29] *Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering.*

- She heard, came, touched, and thought
- She did not allow the opinions of others to stop her

- Check your heart while you wait
- Check your spirit while you wait
- Don't get jealous or angry when God blesses someone else first
- God will put a miracle in front of you while you're waiting to serve as your proof
- Exposure increases your faith
- God does not run out of blessings

What is your usual heart and spirit posture when others are blessed and you're still waiting for what seems like an eternity? Can you be happy when God does it for someone else? If not, why?

WAIT AND BELIEVE WHILE HE CLEARS THE ATMOSPHERE FOR A MIRACLE TO BE PRODUCED

*Mark 5:37-40 NIV - [37] He did not let anyone follow him except **Peter, James and John** the brother of James. [38] When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, **Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly.** [39] He went in and said to them, “Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep.” [40] But they laughed at him. **After he put them all out, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was.***

- Not everyone can experience your miracle with you
- God will remove those who do not need to be there
- Sometimes believers are even removed from the presence of your miracle
- Be okay with God moving people out the way
- Only bring those around you that are expecting something
- Make peace with not taking everyone along with you
- Stop chasing those God has removed, they can't handle your miracle

Who are you chasing after that God has released you from?

WAIT AND BELIEVE UNTIL HE DOES WHAT YOU WERE BELIEVING FOR

*Mark 5:23; 41-42 NIV - [23] He pleaded earnestly with him, “My little daughter is dying. **Please come and put your hands on her** so that she will be healed and live.” [41] **He took her by the hand** and said to her, “Talitha koum!” (which means “Little girl, I say to you, get up!”). [42] **Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around** (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished.*

- Don't stop pleading and praying
- Don't allow something small to blow up something big

- Your miracle is big and only God can do it for you
- Don't give in to the pressure
- Going from bad to worse stretches your faith to keep you from blowing up
- Be mature enough not to be jealous of another person

What have you blown up because you cracked under pressure?

Hebrews 11:6 NIV And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

- Activating faith is an action
- If you don't believe, God can't move on your behalf
- He is going to do exactly what you say
- Same God

How do you know you really believe in God's ability to do it? What is your proof of your faith?

DECLARATION

NO MATTER WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE NATURALLY, I TRUST AND BELIEVE GOD FOR MY MIRACLE..

PRAYER

Father God, I thank You for being the miracle worker. The one who can resurrect that which appears to be dead. I believe that You are able to resurrect my family, my finances, my health, my vision, my gifts, my faith, and my ability to trust You in every area of my life. I surrender my heart, mind, and will to You. Teach me Lord to always activate my faith regardless of what my eyes see in the natural. Separate me from anyone and everything that brings doubt into my mind in Jesus' name, Amen!