

## SEQUOIA NOTES

### Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

#### More Than You Expected

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#### Where is God in the delays and detours of life?

Mark 5:21-23 (NLT) Jesus got into the boat again and went back to the other side of the lake, where a large crowd gathered around him on the shore. <sup>22</sup> Then a leader of the local synagogue, whose name was Jairus, arrived. When he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet, <sup>23</sup> pleading fervently with him. "My little daughter is dying," he said. "Please come and lay your hands on her; heal her so she can live."

Mark 5:24-26 Jesus went with him, and all the people followed, crowding around him. <sup>25</sup> A woman in the crowd had suffered for twelve years with constant bleeding. <sup>26</sup> She had suffered a great deal from many doctors, and over the years she had spent everything she had to pay them, but she had gotten no better. In fact, she had gotten worse.

Mark 5:27-30 She had heard about Jesus, so she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his robe. <sup>28</sup> For she thought to herself, "If I can just touch his robe, I will be healed." <sup>29</sup> Immediately the bleeding stopped, and she could feel in her body that she had been healed of her terrible condition. <sup>30</sup> Jesus realized at once that healing power had gone out from him, so he turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who touched my robe?"

Mark 5:31-34 His disciples said to him, "Look at this crowd pressing around you. How can you ask, 'Who touched me?'" <sup>32</sup> But he kept on looking around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup> Then the frightened woman, trembling at the realization of what had happened to her, came and fell to her knees in front of him and told him what she had done. <sup>34</sup> And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace. Your suffering is over."

- **God's sense of timing often confounds our thinking.**

Mark 5:35-36 While he was still speaking to her, messengers arrived from the home of Jairus, the leader of the synagogue. They told him, "Your daughter is dead. There's no use troubling the Teacher now." <sup>36</sup> But Jesus overheard them and said to Jairus, "Don't be afraid. Just have faith."

- **God's "delays" are by design.**

Mark 5:37-40 Then Jesus stopped the crowd and wouldn't let anyone go with him except Peter, James, and John (the brother of James). <sup>38</sup> When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw much commotion and weeping and wailing. <sup>39</sup> He went inside and asked, "Why all this commotion and weeping? The child isn't dead; she's only asleep." <sup>40</sup> The crowd laughed at him. But he made them all leave, and he took the girl's father and mother and his three disciples into the room where the girl was lying.

- **God's perspective is reality.**

Mark 5:41-43 Holding her hand, he said to her, "Talitha koum," which means "Little girl, get up!" <sup>42</sup> And the girl, who was twelve years old, immediately stood up and walked around! They were overwhelmed and totally amazed. <sup>43</sup> Jesus gave them strict orders not to tell anyone what had happened, and then he told them to give her something to eat.

**Big Idea: You can trust God in the "delays & detours of life" because He is the good and mighty King.**

1 Peter 2:22-25 (NLT) [Jesus] never sinned, nor ever deceived anyone. <sup>23</sup> He did not retaliate when he was insulted, nor threaten revenge when he suffered. He left his case in the hands of God, who always judges fairly. <sup>24</sup> He personally carried our sins in his body on the cross so that we can be dead to sin and live for what is right. By his wounds you are healed. <sup>25</sup> Once you were like sheep who wandered away. But now you have turned to your Shepherd, the Guardian of your souls.

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3) Read Mark 5:21-34. How would you describe how Jairus and the woman were feeling in this encounter with Jesus? Which individual can you most relate to and why?

4) What do you think Jairus was thinking when Jesus delayed in getting to his house? In what sense does God's timing often not make sense to us?

5) Read Mark 5:35-40. How did Jesus use the delay to help Jairus experience Him in greater ways? How has God used "delays and detours in your life" to help you know Him better and trust Him more?

6) Read Mark 5:37-43. How did Jesus see this situation differently than those around him? Why does it matter that God's perspective is reality? How does fear impact our understanding of this truth? In what way do you need God's perspective today?

7) In what specific ways do you need to trust God with the delays and detours of your life? How does 1 Peter 2:22-25 help you in this regard?

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