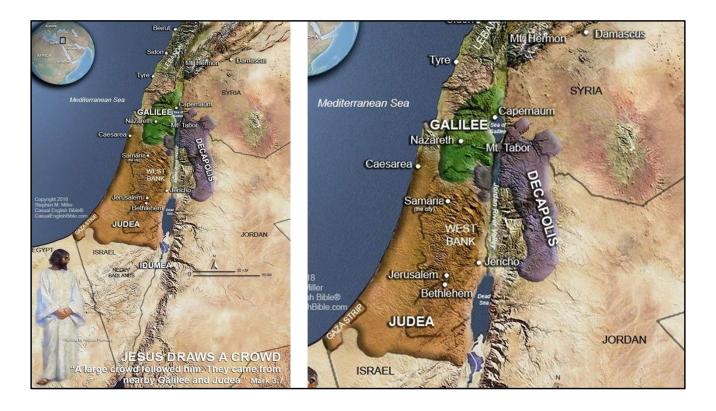




Girl, Interrupted is a 1999 American biographical drama film directed by James Mangold and written by Mangold, Lisa Loomer and Anna Hamilton Phelan, based on the 1993 memoir by Susanna Kaysen. Starring Winona Ryder, Angelina Jolie, Clea DuVall, Brittany Murphy, Elisabeth Moss, Jared Leto, Angela Bettis, Jeffrey Tambor, Vanessa Redgrave, and Whoopi Goldberg, the film follows a young woman who spends 18 months institutionalized at a psychiatric hospital following a suicide attempt.

*Girl, Interrupted* was theatrically released in the United States on December 21, 1999, and grossed \$48 million worldwide. It received mixed reviews, but Ryder, Jolie and Murphy were praised; Jolie won numerous awards



Decapolis, Jesus cared for all peoples! Even Pagan, demon possessed Gentiles!

Mat 4:25 And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

Mar 5:20 And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him, and everyone marveled.

Mar 7:31 Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis.

[Mat 15:21-28 ESV] 21 And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. 22 And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." 23 But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." 24 He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." 25 But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." 26 And he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." 27 She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." 28 Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

#### **ISBE** and Naves

## Decapolis = "ten cities" Greek/Roman incl. Bethshean

a track of land so called from the ten cities that were in it

according to Pliny, these cities were: Damascus, Opoton, Philadelphia, Raphana, Scythopolis, Gadara, Hippondion, Pella, Galasa, and Canatha (Gill)

Such combinations of Greek cities arose as Rome assumed dominion in the East, to promote their common interests in trade and commerce, and for mutual protection against the peoples surrounding them.

Scythopolis, the ancient Bethshean, alone, the capital of the league, was on the West side of Jordan.

The Greek inhabitants were never on good terms with the Jews; and the herd of swine (Mr 5:11 ff) indicates contempt for what was probably regarded as Jewish prejudice. The ruins still seen at Gadara, but especially at Kanawat (see KENATH) and Jerash, of temples, theaters and other public buildings, attest the splendor of these cities in their day.

## Synagogues

- Mark 1:16-20 Jesus cast out unclean spirit
- Mark 1:39 And he went throughout all Galilee,
   preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons
- Mark 3:1-6 Jesus healed a man with a withered hand
- Mark 5:22 Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, <u>Jairus by name</u>, and seeing him, he fell at his feet

Synagogues were local gathering places for Shabbat-Sabbath (A sabbath days journey) where the jews would worship weekly (Our modern day church)

Jesus started here 1<sup>st</sup>! This is where you should expect to find students of scripture ready to recognize their Messiah!

[Mar 1:25-27 ESV] 25 But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" 26 And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. 27 And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him."

[Mar 1:39 ESV] 39 And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

[Mar 3:1-6 ESV] 1 Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. 2 And they watched Jesus, to see whether he would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. 3 And he said to the man with the withered hand, "Come here." 4 And he said to them, "Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. 5 And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. 6 The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the

Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

[Mar 12:39 ESV] 39 and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts,

[Mar 13:9 ESV] 9 "But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them.

[Luk 13:14 ESV] 14 But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days in which work ought to be done. Come on those days and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day."

[Luk 6:7 ESV] 7 And the scribes and the Pharisees watched him, to see whether he would heal on the Sabbath, so that they might find a reason to accuse him.

[Luk 6:11 ESV] 11 But they were filled with fury and discussed with one another what they might do to Jesus.

[Luk 13:14 ESV] 14 But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days in which work ought to be done. Come on those days and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day."

[Luk 14:3-6 ESV] 3 And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" 4 But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. 5 And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" 6 And they could not reply to these things.

[Jhn 5:15-16 ESV] 15 The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him. 16 And this was why the Jews were persecuting Jesus, because he was doing these things on the Sabbath.

[Luk 7:1-6, 9 ESV] 1 After he had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the

people, he entered Capernaum. 2 Now a centurion had a servant who was sick and at the point of death, who was highly valued by him. 3 When the centurion heard about Jesus, he sent to him elders of the Jews, asking him to come and heal his servant. 4 And when they came to Jesus, they pleaded with him earnestly, saying, "He is worthy to have you do this for him, 5 for he loves our nation, and he is the one who built us our synagogue." 6 And Jesus went with them. When he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends, saying to him, "Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof. ... 9 When Jesus heard these things, he marveled at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, said, "I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith."

[Luk 8:26, 41 ESV] 26 Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ... 41 And there came a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue. And falling at Jesus' feet, he implored him to come to his house,

Many Christians today would be surprised to learn that **Paul**, **the famous** "**Apostle to the Gentiles**," **never stopped living a Jewish life**. What this zealous Pharisee experienced on the road to Damascus was not conversion to Christianity, but acceptance of a new life and calling offered by the Jewish Messiah, Jesus. The mission of Paul's life may have changed—but his identification as a son of Israel did not.

During his evangelistic journeys, Paul's first stop in a new city was always the local synagogue. This ministry pattern is detailed an astounding nine times in the book of Acts (Acts 13:14, 14:1, 17:1-2, 17:10, 17:16-17, 18:4, 18:19, 19:8, 28:17). While his specific calling from God was to take the gospel to the Gentiles, he would only begin sharing with the Gentiles after he had first spoken to his Jewish brothers and sisters. While it might seem like a detour from his ministry calling, Paul had at least three good reasons.

<u>To begin with</u>, Paul fully understood God's priorities when he penned <u>Romans 1:16</u>:

For I am not ashamed of the Gospel, for it is the power of God for

### salvation, to the Jew first [or especially] and also to the Gentile.

He knew Israel was (and still is) the covenantal and prophetic people of God, through whom came the promised Jewish Messiah (Rom 9:4-5). God always intended Paul to share the Good News with his own people from the beginning when he called him "a chosen instrument to take My message to the Gentiles and to kings, as well as to the people of Israel" (Acts 9:15).

Secondly, Paul carried a heavy burden of responsibility to tell his Jewish brothers the truth of Messiah—even when they refused to believe. He did not go to them first because it was easy, but because it was God's order. In Acts 18, Paul became frustrated with his audience in the Corinth synagogue and brushed the dust from his clothes declaring, "From now on I'm going to the Gentiles!" Yet, the text says he immediately went next-door and led the leader of the local synagogue to faith in Jesus!

<u>And third</u>, Paul deeply loved Israel, his own family, with all his heart. It was that anguished love that motivated him to write <u>Romans 9:3-4</u>:

For I would pray that I myself were cursed, banished from Messiah for the sake of my people—my own flesh and blood who are Israelites.

When he was detained on false charges in the Temple, and jailed in Caesarea, his mind was on his people. He emphatically told King Agrippa that he was being held "because of the hope of Israel" (Acts 25). Upon arrival in Rome to appeal to Caesar, Paul remained true to form and first met with the local Jewish leadership to share the salvation message. Acts 28 reveals that some accepted the good news, and others did not. Once Paul realized he had done all he could, verse 28 records his final words to the Roman Jewish community:

So, listen well. This wonderful salvation given by God is now being presented to the non-Jewish nations, and they will believe and receive it! (TPT)

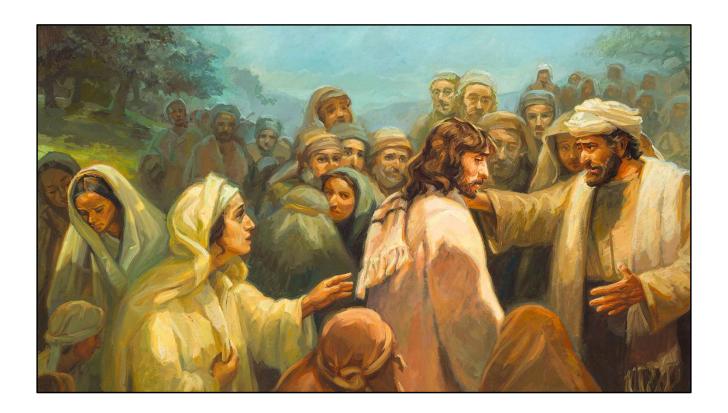
Amazingly, this is how the most evangelistic book in the Bible ends—with Paul passionately declaring Messiah to the Jewish people. But with this in mind, why has the church largely stopped carrying out Paul's model of sharing the love of Jesus "to the Jew first?"

Long after his Road to Damascus encounter with Jesus, Paul continued to live a

fully Jewish life. And at the center of his Jewish identity was the full faith and hope that "all Israel will be saved" (Rom 11:26). Paul's life was given to declare the "endless riches of the Messiah" to the Gentiles (Eph 3:8), but he never stopped sharing the Good News "to the Jew especially."

For more information on Paul's mission and vision, read our perspective paper on "<u>To the Jew First.</u>" https://centerforisrael.com/article/paul-always-went-to-the-jew-first-so-why-did-we-stop/

https://learn.ligonier.org/devotionals/pauls-ministry-at-philippi Paul always went "to the Jew first," which meant preaching first in the local synagogues.



Jesus in the Middle, A Religious Leader Meets Jesus to the face, the other an unclean woman from behind

## What would it take to humble you?

- Jairus likely had seen and heard much about Jesus!
- Jairus knew the decided and rabid turn of some/many religious leaders
- We are never more vulnerable than with our kids!

Jairus = "whom God enlightens"

[Mar 5:22 ESV] 22 Then came <u>one of the rulers of the synagogue</u>, <u>Jairus by name</u>, and seeing him, <u>he fell at his feet</u>

[Mar 5:23 ESV] 23 and implored him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live."

Jesus is on the way!!!!

But...someone else stopped/Delayed Him

Do you have to be desperate to come to Jesus? The reality is!!! We aRe ALL Desperate!!

Job 1:12-13, 18-19, 21-22 And the LORD said to Satan, "Behold, all that he has is in your hand. Only against him do not stretch out your hand." So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD. 13 Now there was a day when his sons and daughters were eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother's house, ... 18 While he was yet speaking, there came another and said, "Your sons and daughters were eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother's house, 19 and behold, a great wind came across the wilderness and struck

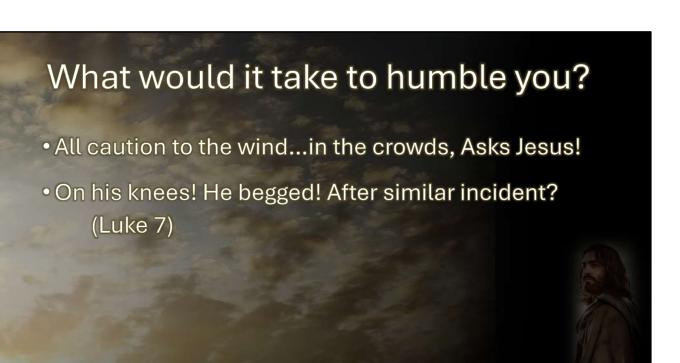
the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young people, and they are dead, and I alone have escaped to tell you." ... 21 And he said, "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return. The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD." 22 In all this Job did not sin or charge God with wrong.

Job 2:3-7 And the LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, who fears God and turns away from evil? He still holds fast his integrity, although you incited me against him to destroy him without reason." 4 Then Satan answered the LORD and said, "Skin for skin! All that a man has he will give for his life. 5 But stretch out your hand and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face." 6 And the LORD said to Satan, "Behold, he is in your hand; only spare his life." 7 So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD and struck Job with loathsome sores from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head.

[1Ki 3:26 NIV] 26 The woman whose son was alive was deeply moved out of love for her son and said to the king, "Please, my lord, give her the living baby! Don't kill him!" But the other said, "Neither I nor you shall have him. Cut him in two!"

[Luk 7:1-10 ESV] 1 After he had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum. 2 Now a centurion had a servant who was sick and at the point of death, who was highly valued by him. 3 When the centurion heard about Jesus, he sent to him elders of the Jews, asking him to come and heal his servant. 4 And when they came to Jesus, they pleaded with him earnestly, saying, "He is worthy to have you do this for him, 5 for he loves our nation, and he is the one who built us our synagogue." 6 And Jesus went with them. When he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends, saying to him, "Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof. 7 Therefore I did not presume to come to you. But say the word, and let my servant

be healed. 8 For I too am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me: and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it." 9 When Jesus heard these things, he marveled at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, said, "I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith." 10 And when those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the servant well.





Mark attests the authority of Jesus over <u>the ravages of sin upon physical nature</u>. As with the storm at sea and the demon-possessed man, the drama unfolds with: (1) a point of surprise; (2) a confession of futility; (3) a show of authority; and (4) a testimony of peace and awe.

<u>A point of surprise</u>. The storm at sea came up as a surprise and the madman of Gadarenes ran and fell at Jesus' feet as a surprise. Another surprise awaits Jesus when He crosses back over the sea to the Galilean side. Jairus, ruler of the synagogue, comes out to meet Him with the surprising act of falling at His feet.

McKenna, D. L., & Ogilvie, L. J. (1982). Mark (Vol. 25, p. 113). Thomas Nelson Inc.

## Notice the Prayer covering

# A Girl Interrupted!

- A discharge of blood for twelve years
  - Leviticus 15:25-27 This made her unclean, unable to worship
- Who had suffered much under many physicians,
- And had spent all that she had,
- Was no better but rather grew worse.

I never saw the movie but the title was intriguing!

And there was a woman...this interruption seems to have cost Jairus his daughter's life! What would YOU have been thinking?

Unnamed, unlike Jairus!

Chronic, unpleasant, isolating Illness! Filthy Rags! Endless Pain and Misery!

Desperate endurance of experimentation by the Experts!

Bankrupt hope in this world! Jesus changes everything with a touch

From Bad to worse!

she could not be healed by anyone, Lk.8:43

she was a living "dead" person for 12 years

In her extremity of need—incurable illness and <u>socio-religious isolation</u>—<u>she was a living "dead" person for 12 years</u>. Her restoration to wholeness of life anticipated the dramatic raising of Jairus' daughter who died after living for 12 years.

Having shown that Jesus has authority over the worst of physical nature and

psychological demons, he advances his case to an encounter with incurable disease and tragic death.

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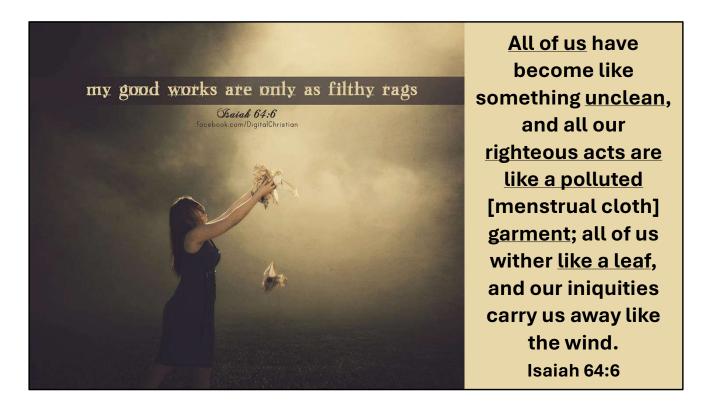
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### Her condition made her ritually unclean (cf. Lev. 15:25–27),

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Lev 15:25-27 "If a woman has a discharge of blood for many days, not at the time of her menstrual impurity, or if she has a discharge beyond the time of her impurity, all the days of the discharge she shall continue in uncleanness. As in the days of her impurity, she shall be unclean. 26 Every bed on which she lies, all the days of her discharge, shall be to her as the bed of her impurity. And everything on which she sits shall be unclean, as in the uncleanness of her menstrual impurity. 27 And whoever touches these things shall be unclean, and shall wash his clothes and bathe himself in water and be unclean until the evening.

[Lev 15:31 ESV] 31 "Thus you shall keep the people of Israel separate from their uncleanness, lest they die in their uncleanness by defiling my tabernacle that is in their midst."



Is her condition a picture of that famous verse in Isa.64?

This may not be the intent of this story but its remarkably close!

### Like a perpetual menstrual cycle

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## Touching Jesus meant she could contaminate Him!!

All of us have become like something unclean, and all our righteous acts are like a polluted [menstrual cloth] garment; all of us wither like a leaf, and our iniquities carry us away like the wind. Isa.64:6 CSB

Eze 36:17 "Son of man, when the house of Israel lived in their own land, they defiled it by their ways and their deeds. Their ways before me were like the uncleanness of a woman in her menstrual impurity.

[Isa 6:5 ESV] 5 And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

[Isa 53:6 ESV] 6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned--every one-to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

[Job 14:4 ESV] 4 Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? There is not one.

[Job 15:14 ESV] 14 What is man, that he can be pure? Or he who is born of a woman, that he can be righteous?

[Job 25:4 ESV] 4 How then can man be in the right before God? How can he who is born of woman be pure?

[Rom 7:18, 24 ESV] 18 For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. ... 24 Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?

[Eph 2:1-2 ESV] 1 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins 2 in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience--

[Zec 3:3 ESV] 3 Now Joshua was standing before the angel, clothed with filthy garments.

[Phl 3:9 ESV] 9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith--

[Rev 3:17-18 ESV] 17 For you say, "I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing," not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. 18 I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see.

[Rev 7:13 ESV] 13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?"

## Touching the fringe; tzitzit; Tallit?

- Luke 8:44 She came up behind him and touched THE FRINGE of his garment
- A Tallit, Prayer covering (Numbers 15:37-41)
  - Matthew 23:5 The do all their deeds to be seen by others. For they
    make their phylacteries broad and their fringes long,
  - Mark 6:56 they laid the sick in ...implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment...made well.

The Fringe of Society touch the fringe of His prayer! This too may be debatable but seems to be recognized by many!

a tassel, tuft: the Jews had such appendages attached to their mantles to remind them of the law

Num 15:37-41 The LORD said to Moses, 38 "Speak to the people of Israel, and tell them to make tassels on the corners of their garments throughout their generations, and to put a cord of blue on the tassel of each corner. 39 And it shall be a tassel for you to look at and remember all the commandments of the LORD, to do them, not to follow after your own heart and your own eyes, which you are inclined to whore after. 40 So you shall remember and do all my commandments, and be holy to your God. 41 I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt to be your God: I am the LORD your God."

[Mar 6:56 ESV] 56 And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

[Mat 9:20 ESV] 20 And behold, a woman who had suffered from a discharge of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment,

[Luk 8:44 ESV] 44 She came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment, and immediately her discharge of blood ceased.

As per the Bible's instructions the <u>tallit</u> has fringes attached to each of its four corners. These serve to remind the Jew of G-d and His commandments.

The *tallit*, ideally made of wool (read why, <u>here</u>), is most often white, with black stripes running down two sides of the garment (read why, <u>here</u>). Called *tzitzit* (or *tzitzis*) ( וּצִיצִית) Hebrew, each fringe is made of four strands looped over to make eight strands in total.

The *tallit* is draped over the shoulders like a cape, with two corners at the front of the wearer, and two at the back.

### Tekhelet: The Mystery of the Blue Thread

In ancient times, the *tallit* would have two kinds of threads attached to the corners, white wool (or whatever the garment was made of) and blue wool. This blue wool, known as *tekhelet*, was the hallmark of nobility, and in line with the *tallit*'s purpose of reminding the Jew that he is a member of G-d's "kingdom of priests."

The unique blue dye was made from a byproduct of a sea creature known as the *chilazon*, which lives in the Mediterranean Sea. However, during the Talmudic era, as the center of Jewish life shifted away from the Mediterranean Sea, and *tekhelet* was heavily taxed or even outlawed, it became rarer and rarer, and eventually disappeared entirely from the *tallit*.

In recent years, there has been much speculation regarding the identity of the *chilazon* and the possibility of reintroducing tekhelet. Read more about that here.

#### How the Tallit Serves as a Reminder

The strings and knots of the *tallit* are a physical representation of the <u>Torah</u>'s 613 mitzvahs. It works like this: Each letter in the Hebrew alphabet has a corresponding numerical value (*gematria*). The numerical values of the five letters that comprise the Hebrew word *tzitzit* add up to 600. Add the eight strings and five knots of each

#### tassel, and the total is 613 (600+5+8=613).

Wearing *tzitzit* is a sign of Jewish pride. Jews always had a way of dress that distinguished them from the people of the lands in which they lived—even when that meant exposing themselves to danger and bigotry.

https://www.chabad.org/library/article\_cdo/aid/530124/jewish/Tallit-The-Jewish-Prayer-Shawl.htm

Wool comes primarily from the fleece of sheep

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[Deu 22:12 ESV] 12 "You shall make yourself tassels on the four corners of the garment with which you cover yourself.



See the Prayer covering? See the Phylactery too?

It had to be Wool or Linen! (Lambs skin?) White! Rev.

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Since she touched the Fringe/Hem of His garment, we can assume she was Low, on her knees

Notice 2 garments, the outer one was a Tallit?

I bought this picture in Magdala! Where Mary Madalene was from

## She dared to touch God!

- Mark 5:28 For she said, "If I touch even his garments, I will be made well."
- "Who touched my garments?" Mark 5:30
- The woman...came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth Mark 5:33
- Secretly 'stealing' healing? Why in fear?

Did this Drain of energy limit Jesus' healing ability?

Did Her interruption seal the little girls fate? The woman certainly seemed to NOT want to derail Jesus' mission!

Her touching Jesus would've met an Angry Rebuke by another Rabbi!! Her touch would've made him unclean!

But We cannot make Jesus unclean!

[Exo 33:20 ESV] 20 But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for man shall not see me and live."

[1Ti 6:16 ESV] 16 who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion.

Amen.

[Gen 32:30 ESV] 30 So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered."

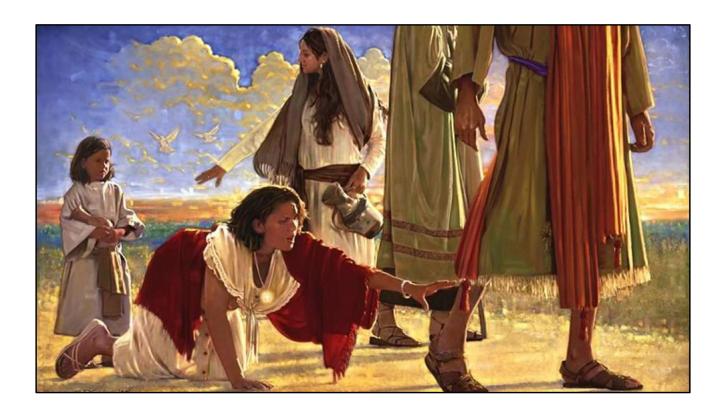
[Deu 5:24 ESV] 24 And you said, 'Behold, the LORD our God has shown us his glory and greatness, and we have heard his voice out of the midst of the fire. This day we have seen God speak with man, and man still live.

[Jdg 6:22 ESV] 22 Then Gideon perceived that he was the angel of the LORD. And Gideon said, "Alas, O Lord GOD! For now I have seen the angel of the LORD face to face."

[Jdg 13:22 ESV] 22 And Manoah said to his wife, "We shall surely die, for we have seen God."

[Isa 6:5 ESV] 5 And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

[Jhn 1:18 ESV] 18 No one has ever seen God; God the only Son, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.



See the Prayer covering?

2 Men, One Jairus?

NO Thronging crowd though

Woman with a waterpot? Samaritan woman?
Little girl, Jairus daughter?
Woman reaching, issue of blood.

Jesus and Women!



Jairus and the Woman were Both on their Knees!

Stealing a Healing???



See the Prayer covering?

# Jesus loves the Fringe!

- Mark 5:34 And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."
  - Jairus' daughter (Mark 3:32-33, Matthew 12:46-50)
  - "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher and further?" (Mark 5:35)
  - "Do not fear, only believe."

Jesus Knew someone touched Him

Jesus KNEW This was all going to Happen! He knew She would touch Him'
HE knew the girl would die in the meantime
He knew She would live again!

Jesus loves the Fringe! The picture of prayer and Gods law, The disenfranchised and outcast!

This is similar to Adam and Eve again!

When God come asking where Adam was, He knew! Adam couldn't hide his secret, his sin. Neither could the Woman!

Confession brings forgiveness!!

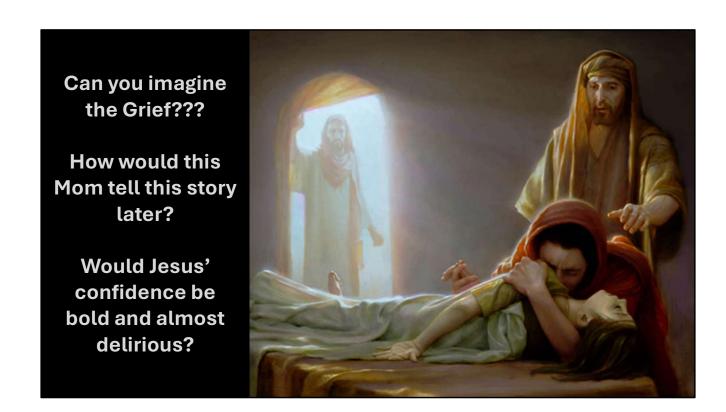
[Exo 33:20 ESV] 20 But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for man shall not see me and live."

[1Ti 6:16 ESV] 16 who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion.

#### Amen.

[Jhn 1:18 ESV] 18 No one has ever seen God; God the only Son, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.

Gen 3:7-10 Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths. 8 And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" 10 And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself."



Disrespectful? How could Jesus be so cold and tell us to change our feelings?? Empathy and validating our feelings isn't as much as people want to be!

de lir i ous in an acutely disturbed state of mind resulting from illness or <u>intoxication</u> and characterized by <u>restlessness</u>, illusions, and <u>incoherence</u> of thought and speech.

"he became delirious and couldn't recognize people"

### Jesus likely pushed past her, ignoring her grief, to

"Do not fear, only believe."

"Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him.

Taking her by the hand he said to her, "Talitha cumi," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise."

#### BTW!!!

This miracle was to be Much more about Jesus than the little girl or the long sick woman!!!'

Its about Jesus!!! Who will save us from Death for eternity!!

He is God and deserves our worship!!

## Jesus gets the last laugh!

- They KNEW she was Dead!!! Preposterous!
- But remember the Centurion of Great Faith! Matthew 8
- Jairus didn't protest, complain, argue or collapse
- 1 Corinthians 15:55 "O death, where is your victory? O death (O Grave), where is your sting?"

### The mourners "ridiculed" (κατεγέλων) him

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<u>Jesus raised people from the dead! Only 10 resurrections in History! first, the</u> <u>daughter of Jairus</u>; second, the son of the widow of Nain; and third, Lazarus

Each of these cases has its special characteristics and instruction. The daughter of Jairus had but just expired when the Lord entered the chamber, and turned the weeping of the night into the joy of the morning. The son of the widow of Nain was being carried to his grave when the procession of death was arrested by the Prince of Life; and Lazarus was in his tomb, had been dead four days, ere, at the bidding of Him who was the Resurrection and the Life, he came forth again into the light of day. Thus did Christ vindicate His power as the Son to quicken whom He would, for "the hour," said He, "is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God and they that hear shall live." (John 5:25.)

Mt.9:23 And when Jesus came to the ruler's house and <u>saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion</u>, 24 he said, "<u>Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping</u>." And they laughed at him.

Lk.8:52 And all were weeping and mourning for her, but he said, "Do not weep, for she

is not dead but sleeping." 53 And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead.

Mat 8:1-2, 5-15, 23, 26-27 NIV 1 When Jesus came down from the mountainside, large crowds followed him. 2 A man with leprosy came and knelt before him and said, "Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean." ... 5 When Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, asking for help. 6 "Lord," he said, "my servant lies at home paralyzed, suffering terribly." 7 Jesus said to him, "Shall I come and heal him?" 8 The centurion replied, "Lord, I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. But just say the word, and my servant will be healed. 9 For I myself am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. I tell this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and that one, 'Come,' and he comes. I say to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it." 10 When Jesus heard this, he was amazed and said to those following him, "Truly I tell you, I have not found anyone in Israel with such great faith. 11 I say to you that many will come from the east and the west, and will take their places at the feast with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. 12 But the subjects of the kingdom will be thrown outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." 13 Then Jesus said to the centurion, "Go! Let it be done just as you believed it would." And his servant was healed at that moment. 14 When Jesus came into Peter's house, he saw Peter's motherin-law lying in bed with a fever. 15 He touched her hand and the fever left her, and she got up and began to wait on him. ... 23 Then he got into the boat and his disciples followed him. ... 26 He replied, "You of little faith, why are you so afraid?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm. 27 The men were amazed and asked, "What kind of man is this? Even the winds and the waves obey him!"

#### 37 Miracles of Jesus. 4 were resurrections!

- 1. Resurrection of the widow's son in Zarephath (1 Kgs 17:17–22)
- 2. Resurrection of the Shunammite's son (2 Kgs 4:18–37)

- 3. Resurrection of the man thrown into Elisha's grave (2 Kgs 13:20)
- 4. Resurrection of Jairus' daughter (Mark 5:41)
- 5. Resurrection of the young man at Nain (<u>Luke 7:14</u>)
- 6. Resurrection of Lazarus (John 11:38–44)
- 7. Resurrection of unknown saints during the crucifixion (Matt 27:52–53)
- 8. Resurrection of Christ (Matt 28:1-6)
- 9. Resurrection of Tabitha/Dorcas (Acts 9:36–42)
- 10. Resurrection of Eutychus (Acts 20:7–12)

Resurrection of the Church (i.e., Rapture, <u>1 Thess 4:13-18</u>; <u>1 Cor 15:23</u>)

Resurrection of the Two Witnesses (Rev 11:7–11)

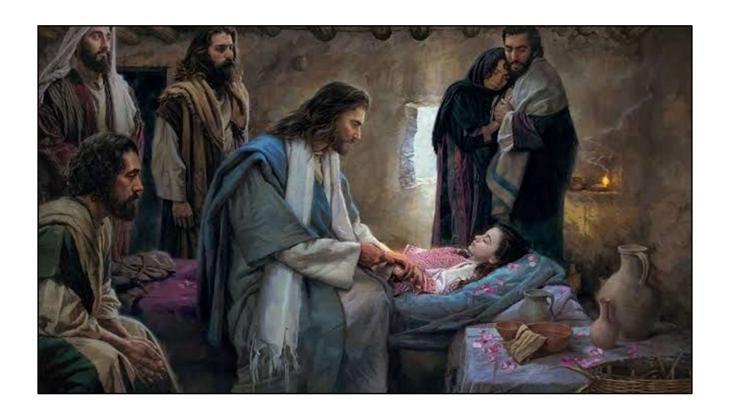
Resurrection of OT Saints and Martyrs (Revelation 20:4)

Resurrection of the Wicked (Revelation 20:5)

[1Co 15:55 ESV] 55 "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?"

[Hos 13:14 ESV] 14 I shall ransom them from the power of Sheol; I shall redeem them from Death. O Death, where are your plagues? O Sheol, where is your sting? Compassion is hidden from my eyes.





# "Little girl, I say to you, arise."

- Peter, James and John (Mark 9:1-8, 14:33)
- But he put them all outside (Ridiculers)
- "Little girl, I say to you, arise." Arise, Wake, Raised
- "Immediately" 4x, Tell No one!
- "12"??? Time lost/wasted, Time Missed

Peter, James, and John were apparently an "inner circle" in the band of disciples, for Jesus invited them alone to share three special experiences with Him: the raising of Jairus' daughter from the dead, the Transfiguration (9:1–8), and His prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane (14:33). Each of these experiences taught them a lesson about death: Christ is victorious over death, glorified in death, and submitted to death.

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[Mar 1:31 ESV] 31 And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

[Mar 2:9, 11 ESV] 9 Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, take up your bed and walk'? ... 11 "I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home."

[Mar 3:3 ESV] 3 And he said to the man with the withered hand, "Come here."

[Mar 4:27, 38 ESV] 27 He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. ... 38 But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?"

[Mar 5:41 ESV] 41 Taking her by the hand he said to her, "Talitha cumi," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise."

[Mar 6:14 ESV] 14 King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some said, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him."

[Mar 9:27 ESV] 27 But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose.

[Mar 10:49 ESV] 49 And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart. Get up; he is calling you."

[Mar 12:26 ESV] 26 And as for the dead being raised, have you not read in the book of Moses, in the passage about the bush, how God spoke to him, saying, 'I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'?

[Mar 14:42 ESV] 42 Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand."

"12" The Tale of Two Daughters. All suffering is the same AND Different! No one knows your pain, except Jesus!

So besides suffering this messy, painful, weakening physical condition that all her money spent on doctors has not cured, she is 'unclean' as well. This means that her husband (and maybe children?) cannot eat food she has cooked, cannot sit on chairs upon which she has sat, cannot touch her even, without becoming 'unclean' themselves!

Perhaps it is the significant number 12 that links these stories? The woman had been bleeding for 12 years; the girl was 12 years of age. The woman had been bleeding since the child had been born. Was there a connection?

I've recently read an explanation that draws on the preserve of 12 in both stories as the linking point. <u>James F. McGrath</u>, in his recently-published book, What Jesus Learned from Women (cascade, 2021), notes that <u>the woman who had been bleeding for 12 years was in danger of being considered ritually impure, and thus of being ostracised from community life. <u>Jairus</u>, as <u>ruler of the synagogue</u>, <u>was responsible for ensuring that the requirements for ritual purity were maintained</u>.</u>

The number 12, McGrath suggests, provides a reminder that "these very women whose stories highlight the danger of ritual impurity associated with women in that ancient society are nevertheless part of the people of Israel, and thus worthy

of healing and restoration into that community" (p.115). Indeed, as he notes, "women were the ones who made them ongoing existence of the tribes of Israel possible generation to generation thought their reproductive role and power".

Certainly, 12 was an important number for the Jewish people who were the main characters in the stories told in Mark 5. The prominence of 12 makes the stories seem especially Jewish.

There were 12 sons of Jacob (Gen 49:1–28), then 12 tribes of Israel (Deut 27:12–13). On the table in the Tabernacle were placed 12 silver plates, 12 silver dishes, and 12 golden plates (Num 7:84–89), and the breastplate of the priest contained 12 precious stones (Exod 28:21) as emblems of the 12 tribes as they camped round about the Sanctuary.

Moses built an altar at the foot of Mount Sinai with 12 pillars (Exod 24:4) and Joshua had the people take 12 stones from the River Jordan to be placed as a memorial to their entry into the land (Josh 4:1–10).

As the story continues in the Gospels, Jesus chose 12 apostles as his inner circle (Mark 3:13–19 and parallels in Matt 10 and Luke 6; and John 6:67–71). Jesus indicates that this signified the link between his movement and the traditions of Israel (Matt 19:28; Luke 22:30; and see James 1:1). When Jesus feeds the great crowd of 4,000 people beside the Sea of Galilee (Mark 8:1–9), there are twelve baskets of bread left over (Mark 8:19). In another account, with 5,000 men beside the Sea of Galilee (John 6:1–14), the leftovers are again collected in twelve baskets (John 6:13).

And in the final dramatic visions written about the promised future by the aged seer John, the number 12 figures prominently. We see this first in the vision of a woman wearing a crown with 12 stars (Rev 12:1). The number then appears in the architecture of "the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God" (Rev 21:10), with its 12 gates with 12 angels and the names of the 12 tribes (Rev 21:12), and its 12 foundations with the names of the 12 apostles (Rev 21:14). Finally, there are 12 pearls on these 12 gates (Rev 21:21) and 12 fruits on the tree of life (Rev 22:2).

Is the emphasis on 12 in these conjoined stories in Mark 5 underlining the Jewish setting, and pointing to the centrality of Jewish matters in the story? It's a fascinating hypothesis.

My wife, Elizabeth Raine, suggests that the significance of the 12 relates to being able to be married. The adult woman in the story is able to marry once her bleeding of 12 years has ended. She is healed (5:29), saved (5:34, often translated as "made well"), and made clean (5:34b). The girl, brought back from the brink of death at 12 years of age, is approaching the time when women were able to be married.



# Stop comparing!

- 2 Corinthians 10:12 ...But when they measure themselves by one another and compare themselves with one another, they are without understanding (John 21:21-23)
- 12 years for each sufferer! Which was worse?
- We are all unique and in relationship with God! Quit saying God is unfair or has favorites or we are cheated!

[Luk 18:11 ESV] 11 The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.

2Co 10:12 Not that we dare to classify or compare ourselves with some of those who are commending themselves. But when they measure themselves by one another and compare themselves with one another, they are without understanding.

Rom 8:18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

[Jhn 21:21-23 ESV] 21 When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, "Lord, what about this man?" 22 Jesus said to him, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? You follow me!" 23 So the saying spread abroad among the brothers that this disciple was not to die; yet Jesus did not say to him that he was not to die, but, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?"

[Luk 12:48 ESV] 48 But the one who did not know, and did what deserved a beating, will receive a light beating. Everyone to whom much was given, of him much will be required, and from him to whom they entrusted much, they will demand the more.

#### We ARE ALL in relationship with God!

Either His enemies or His Friends

Among His friend's He has different roles, gifts and responsibilities for us! Follow

## Him where He wants you!

The Demoniac last week was wondrously saved but needed to stay where he was, where he could have the most impact!

The dead 12yo girl "May have had it worse"?? By being dead but once Jesus was done it was much better!! Her suffering was very short and now she was the greatest of His miracles!



# Faith seeds still growing, Mark 4, 5

- 3 Lessons on Seeds Faith buried comes to Life!
- The DEEP Jesus calms deadly storm
- The DEMON Jesus casts out a demonic army! Legion!
- The DISEASE Worsening woman!
- The DEATH of a child PJ&J present, Faith Arises!!!!!

#### 3 lessons - 4 Labs!

Each Situation got worse! Needed greater Faith!

Each situation put Fear and Faith in the Ring!

1st Disciples,

2<sup>nd</sup> the Pagans/Greeks/Romans, Pig raisers, Demon Possessed. Would you prefer death to Demonic possession, especially like this guy in the tombs!

 $3^{\mathrm{rd}}$  unnamed desperate woman who risks contaminating Jesus with her Uncleanness

4<sup>th</sup> The Faithful, religious Jew who may have been waffling about Jesus until Now! Jairus daughter may be the 1<sup>st</sup> Resurrection, Will he believe when Jesus tells him to?

## Studies in Contrasts as they reach a culmination!

Jews and Gentiles

Nature and the Supernatural!

Deeply personal suffering and Vicarious suffering (Parents for child)

Loss life past, and life Future!

Religious and Unclean!

Those being enlightened (Jairus name) and the disciples, Are invited In to the wonder, miracle and 1<sup>st</sup> hand observation, The Ridiculers are put OUT!

All come together in Desperation and Faith! Jesus is the Crossroad where they meet!

Is Christianity for the desperate? Yes!

We are All Desperate, your blessed IF you already know it!! We're ALL sinner's and Jesus is the Only one who can save us!!

The Disciples heard the Parables of seeds, asked for private instruction! Now they get up close observation of a crescendo!!

Jairus=Ruler of synagogue (Jew)	AWoman, "daughter"
Likely saw Jesus, miracles	Only heard reports
Male	Female_
Little, only daughter – child (Luke 8)	Grown woman, for herself
12-year-old	12 years of suffering
Point of Death	Chronically painful, ill
Fell at Jesus' feet! Begged Earnestly	Trembling // falling (Luke 8)
Come - touch	Ill touch his hem, behind
"Do not fear; only believe"	"I will be made well"
Touching dead = unclean	Touched by blood = unclean
Funeral started, laughed at Him	Spentall, Physicians?? Worse!!
Immediately!	[mmediately!

Jairus miracle was reserved for the few, The woman's was very Public!

Name = Jairus, No Name/nobody

Jairus came up to Jesus, the Woman behind Him

The first emphasizes <u>our Lord's power</u> over <u>the DEEP</u> with the miracle of His stilling of the storm with a word, the second His power over <u>DEMONS</u> in His exorcism of Legion, the third His power <u>over DISEASE</u> in that the woman was cured merely by touching the hem of His garment, and <u>the fourth His power over DEATH in His healing of Jairus'</u> <u>daughter</u>, Mark 4. 35 to 5. 43. In each of these miracles, our Lord brings relief where no other man could have done so.

This emphasis on faith is found elsewhere in Mark (e.g.,  $\underline{4:40; 6:6; 10:52; 11:22-25}$ ), making it a prominent Markan theme

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# But at the end of the day they meet at the intersection of Grace and Hope!

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# "Talitha, cumi" is an invitation of love that literally means, "Little lamb, arise."

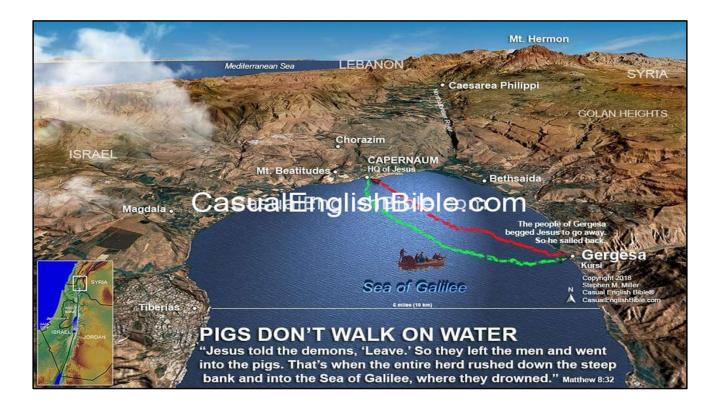
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Numbers 5 that touching dead bodies defiles a living person.

Are you growing in faith with each lesson?
Which was worse? Demons or human Doubt?!
Jesus is the Nexus of ALL Human need!
Remember the point! Not the sign, personal benefit/relief or message, it is the Man, Christ Jesus!

The disciple's growth was not without bumps and a slow curve!

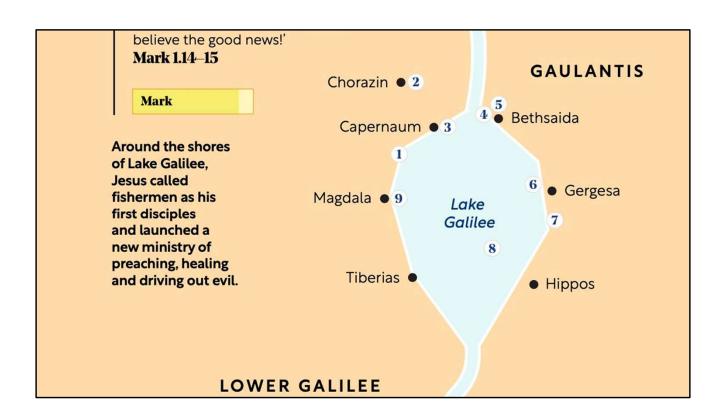


[Mar 5:1, 22 ESV] 1 They came to the other side of the sea, <u>to the country of the</u>

<u>Gerasenes</u>. ... 22 Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet

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Some manuscripts Gergesenes; some Gadarenes





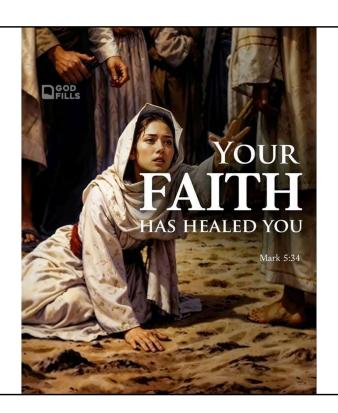


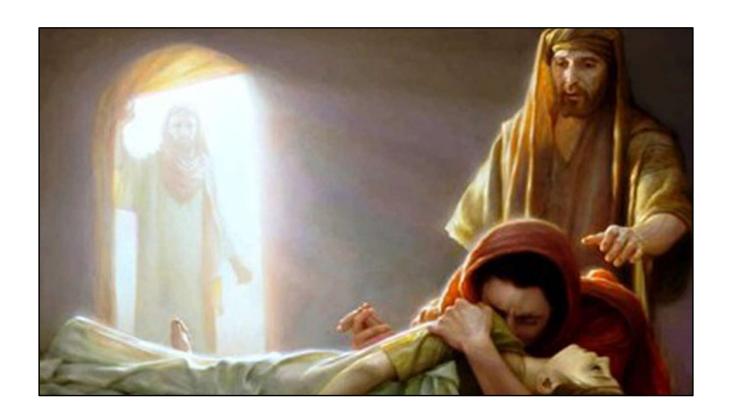


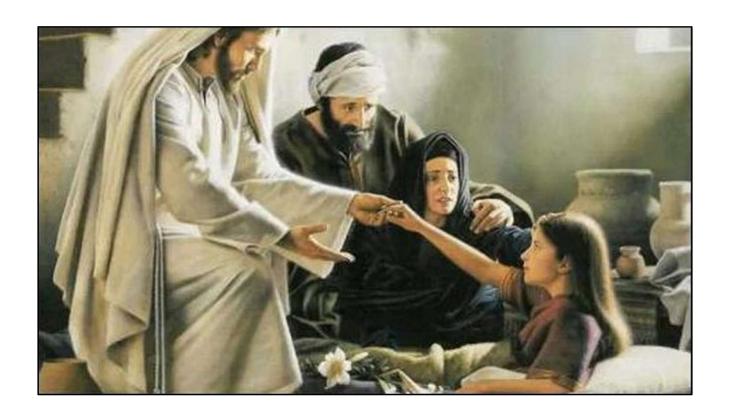




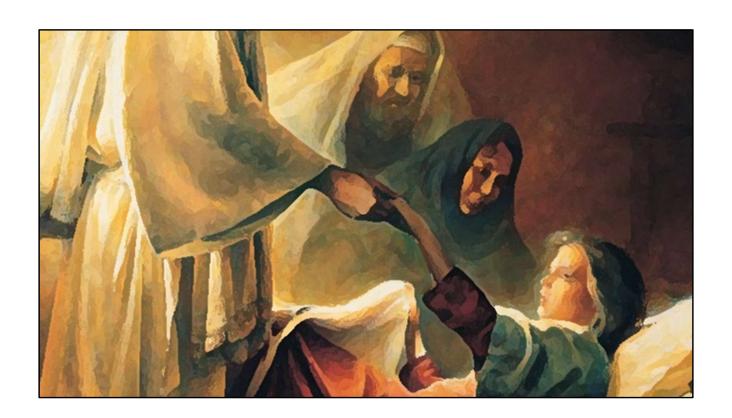




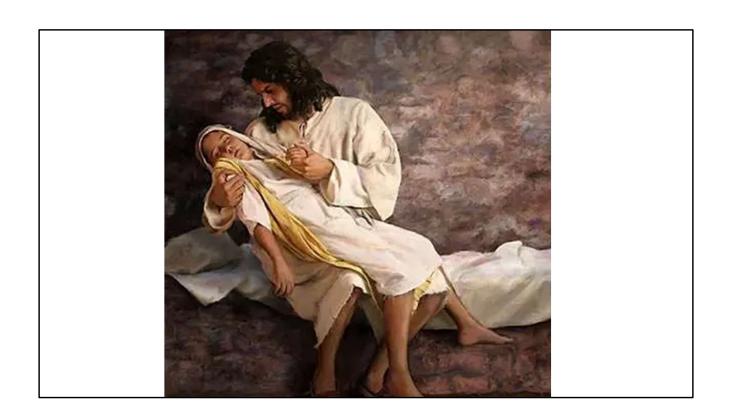




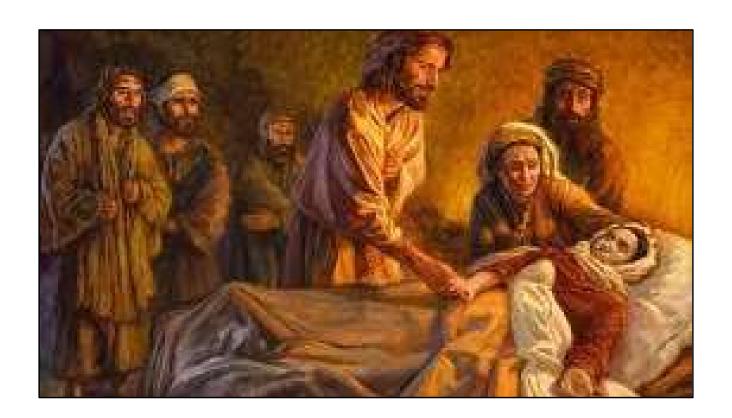




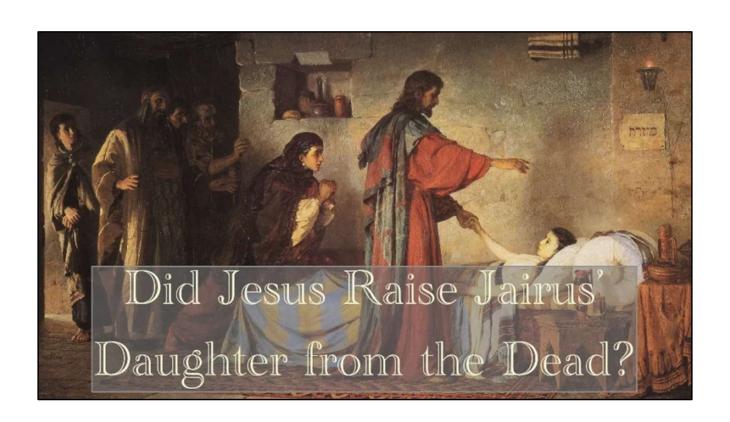
























THEN JESUS ANSWERED HER, "O WOMAN, CREAT IS YOUR FAITH!

BE IT DONE FOR YOU AS YOU DESIRE." AND HER DAUGHTER WAS

PHEALED INSTANTLY, MATTHEW 19:28

