

**A Synagogue Ruler, A Sick Woman, A Dead Girl,  
and Paseo del Rey**

**Mark 5:21-43**

**Message Notes**

**May 1, 2011**

**Jesus: The Gospel of Mark, Part 12**



A. By the Lake

Mark 5.21-24a

Touch for life

B. An Interruption by the Lake

Mark 5.24b-37

When life crowds in on us,  
There's still room to edge in and touch Jesus.

Faith is self-risking trust in Jesus.

C. At the Synagogue Ruler's Home

Mark 5.38-43

Trust Jesus, not the crowds or circumstances

D. At Home here at Paseo del Rey Church

James 5.13-16

1. Healing is not some hocus-pocus deal.
2. If the healer is advertising, stay away!
3. Praying for healing is part of the everyday life in God's local church.
4. The sick person, if able, gets the ball rolling.
5. Anointing with oil?
  - a. God-gifted medical care (Luke 10.34, Isaiah 1.6, Jeremiah 8.22)
  - b. A palpable reminder of God's caring presence (Psalm 23.5, 45.7, Isaiah 61.3)

There is no greater confidence than leaving one another in the Father's always gracious, always good, and always powerful hands.

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Welcome back to our six-week Spring Growth Group session that runs through the week of June 5. We hope you grow in caring and serving one another as Jesus does for you.

1. How do you typically deal with interruptions? Share a story.
2. Read our teaching passage aloud, Mark 5:21-43. If you were Jairus, what do you think you might have been feeling about verse 25?
3. Sunday we said, "Faith is self-risking trust in Jesus." How do you see danger and riskiness, and trust in Jesus in what Jairus did? In the unnamed, long-suffering woman? (Keep your finger in the text!) Where do you need to take more risks in trusting Jesus?
4. Mark 5:40 is an ominous verse. What's happening behind it? Check out the sad laughter in Genesis 18:1-15. What's the story here? What's the LORD's response, Genesis 18:14? What's a painful or hard place inside of you that you've perhaps "laughed" at, thinking not even the LORD could change that? What might someone who knows you say that area in your life is?
5. We considered God's healing ways today by looking at James 5:13-16. What might make you "laugh" about this? Why do you think we don't seem to see healings as often as Mark reports them in his gospel? What would keep you from obeying God's command in James 5:14?