

THE WORD BECAME FLESH



CREATION AND THE BEGINNING OF HUMAN HISTORY

#19 - Jairus' Daughter Is Raised from the Dead Luke 8:40-56

PICTURES (Note: Inserted in brackets at the appropriate place in the lesson is the number of the picture to show the students.)

19-1 The woman touches Jesus

19-2 Jesus raises Jairus' daughter

REVIEW (Before teaching lesson)

- **Journal Review:** Ask students to share an important truth that they learned from their journal readings at home that week. Share some of your own insights.
- **Previous Lesson Review:** (Use the visual from the last lesson to aid in review) Why were the disciples afraid in the storm? What did Jesus ask them? What did Jesus do to the wind and sea? Why was the demon possessed man called Legion? What did the demon possessed man know about Jesus? What did Jesus do for him? What was his response to Jesus?
- **Big Question Review:** What is the extent of Jesus' power? Let the students give their answers to the question.
- **Bible Verse Review:** Colossians 1:16-17 Jesus created all things and holds them together.

¹⁶ For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; (all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.)

LESSON CONTENT

Note: The Bible verses included in the lesson are from the NIV 1984 edition. The wording of the questions is derived from that version. If another version of the Bible is used, questions may need to be adapted.

At the time when Jesus calmed the sea and healed the demon-possessed man he had sailed across the sea of Galilee. In this reading he returns to the area of Galilee where he was from. People knew what he was doing, so a crowd of people had gathered and was waiting for him. Because his reputation had spread, people were seeking to find him.

Luke 8:40-48

⁴⁰Now when Jesus returned, a crowd welcomed him, for they were all expecting him. ⁴¹Then a man named Jairus, a ruler of the synagogue, came and fell at Jesus' feet, pleading with him to come to his house ⁴²because his only daughter, a girl of about twelve, was dying.

As Jesus was on his way, the crowds almost crushed him. ⁴³And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years, but no one could heal her. ⁴⁴She came up behind him and touched the edge of his cloak, and immediately her bleeding stopped. (picture 19-1)

⁴⁵"Who touched me?" Jesus asked.

When they all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the people are crowding and pressing against you."

⁴⁶But Jesus said, "Someone touched me; I know that power has gone out from me."

⁴⁷Then the woman, seeing that she could not go unnoticed, came trembling and fell at his feet. In the presence of all the people, she told why she had touched him and how she had been instantly healed. ⁴⁸Then he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace."

What was wrong with the woman? She had been subject to bleeding for 12 years. It was an incurable problem and no one had been able to help her.

What is noteworthy about the way she was healed? She just touched Jesus' garment. He didn't see her, touch her, or speak words of healing. It was by the power of God in Jesus and her faith that she was healed.

How did Jesus know he had been touched? He felt power go out of him.

What does that teach us about the relationship of the three persons of God?

1. Jesus was dependent on the power of God the Father to dwell in him.
2. Jesus knew and understood all things because the presence and power of the Holy Spirit was in him.
3. Jesus did not do things on his own. It was the Father who was at work in and through him.

What can we learn about that in terms of ourselves? If we are reliant upon God the Father in the same way Jesus was, it could be the same for us too.

Why was the woman trembling when she fell at Jesus' feet? She was afraid. She believed Jesus had the power to heal. She probably thought she had been presumptuous in touching Jesus and had done something wrong. She feared God and understood the

difference between her position and that of God.

What was the evidence of her faith? She thought that just touching Jesus was enough to bring healing to her body.

Luke 8:49-50

⁴⁹While Jesus was still speaking, someone came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue ruler. "Your daughter is dead," he said. "Don't bother the teacher any more."

⁵⁰Hearing this, Jesus said to Jairus, "Don't be afraid; just believe, and she will be healed."

Who was Jairus? A ruler of the synagogue. He was a religious leader who recognized that Jesus had the power to heal, that Jesus was more than just a teacher.

What had Jairus done when he asked Jesus to come to his house? He fell at Jesus' feet.

What did the person who came from Jairus' house refer to Jesus as? Teacher

What is the difference between calling Jesus teacher and falling at his feet as a master?

- Teacher – acknowledges that what he has to say is valuable and important to learn.
- Master – acknowledges that he is above oneself and one should submit to his authority.

What were the criteria for the girl being healed? Trust and belief, not to be afraid and give into the apparent reality of the situation. Trust in God who is above and beyond the natural world. Jairus had to believe that Jesus was more than a teacher, that he was master and had power over creation.

Luke 8:51-56 (picture 19-2)

⁵¹When he arrived at the house of Jairus, he did not let anyone go in with him except Peter, John and James, and the child's father and mother. ⁵²Meanwhile, all the people were wailing and mourning for her. "Stop wailing," Jesus said. "She is not dead but asleep."

⁵³They laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. ⁵⁴But he took her by the hand and said, "My child, get up!" ⁵⁵Her spirit returned, and at once she stood up. Then Jesus told them to give her something to eat. ⁵⁶Her parents were astonished, but he ordered them not to tell anyone what had happened.

Why did the people laugh at Jesus? He said she was asleep and not dead. They knew she was dead. They were arrogant, thinking they knew and understood more than Jesus did.

What are ways we laugh at Jesus? Whenever we go our own way instead of believing and following what God says is right we are mocking or laughing at him.

What happened when Jesus said, "My child get up"? Her spirit returned to her. Her life was given back.

What is our spirit? The unique, immaterial, non-physical, personal part of us that lives on and is eternal, our soul.

What does that teach you about death? It is the presence of the eternal in us that is the source of our physical life. Death occurs when our spirit leaves our physical body and enters the eternal, spiritual realm. Jesus has power over both the physical and spiritual realms. All life, both physical and spiritual, has its source and continuance in Jesus.

We are given physical life when we are born. Physical life has a beginning and an end. We gain eternal life, the life of the soul, when we believe in Jesus. John 5:24 says, *I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life.*

What does the verse mean? When we believe in Jesus we cross from physical life which is a state of death, into true life which is spiritual. We come into an eternal relationship with Jesus. Jairus' daughter received back her physical life because her father believed in Jesus and had gained spiritual life.

LESSON WRAP-UP

- **Overview Questions:** What did the woman who touched Jesus believe? What happened to her because of her faith? What did Jairus ask Jesus to do? What happened to his daughter?
- **Thought Questions:** What does it take for God to work his power through you? What do we usually want God to use his power for? What is wrong with that?
- **Prayer:** Thank Jesus for living a faithful life and being dependent on the Father in all things. Pray that you would learn to depend on the Father in the same way and bring honor to him as Jesus did.
- **The Big Question: What is the life we gain through Jesus?**
Let the students give their answers to the question. Share the memory verse. Ask how it answers the question.
- **Memory Verse: John 5:24**
By believing in Jesus, we gain eternal life.

I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life.

Questions: What happens when we believe in Jesus? What does that mean?

Any age appropriate activity can be included which fits into the class time. The activities with a star are included on the class notes.

- ★ **Lesson Notes:** Ask the students to summarize in one sentence what the lesson was about. Then have them give three main points covered in the lesson. An example is below.

Theme: The people who came to Jesus seeking physical healing were healed by God's power through their faith in Jesus.

1. The woman who touched Jesus' garment was healed and he knew that power had gone out of him.
2. Jairus' daughter was dead but her spirit returned to her when Jesus told her to get up.
3. Jesus is the source of both the physical and spiritual life in us. We can do the things he did when we believe in him.

Why do I need to know this? Jesus did what he did because he was one with the Father. When I join myself to God, he is able to do the same work in and through me.

- ★ **Memory Verse:** Read the memory verse on the cover of the booklet and then have the students fill in the blanks in the verse in the inside.

- ★ **Activity Page:** Crossword Puzzle

Instructions: Fill in the crossword puzzle with answers from the lesson.

Garment The part of Jesus the woman touched

Bleeding What stopped when the woman touched Jesus

Tremble What the woman did when she fell at Jesus' feet

Power What went out of Jesus when the woman touched him

Ruler Jairus' position in the synagogue

Dead What the people believed was the condition of Jairus' daughter

Teacher What the man from Jairus' house called Jesus

Spirit What returned to the girl when Jesus spoke to her

- ★ **Further Understanding:** Bible Study Skills

Instructions:

1. Read the whole passage below to the students as they read along in their Bibles or on the discussion notes.
2. Read the passage verse by verse and have the students explain each verse.
3. Have the students extract one important truth from the passage. This can be done as an entire class or you can break into pairs or small groups.
4. Have the students answer the additional two questions: How can you apply this truth in your life? What will be the result of applying that truth?

John 5:24-26– Life comes through the Son

²⁴ “I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life. ²⁵ I tell you the truth, a time is coming and has now come when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God and those who hear will live. ²⁶ For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son to have life in himself.

Discussion Questions: What does it mean to cross over from death to life? How do we do that?

JOURNAL

The daily journal inside the booklet has six readings that relate to a theme. It would be beneficial for the teacher to work through the journal readings also.

Journal Focus: How are we to die and live?

Reading 1: Romans 6:1-7 We die to sin.

What have we died to? Through what means have we done that? How have we come alive?

Reading 2: Romans 6:8-14 We don't let sin reign in our bodies.

What do we count ourselves dead to? What does that mean? How do we keep sin from reigning in our bodies?

Reading 3: Romans 6:15-23 We become a slave to righteousness.

How do we become a slave to sin? What is the result? How do we become a slave to righteousness? What is the result?

Reading 4: Romans 7:1-13 The law shows us what we are to die to.

What is the law? What releases us from bondage to the law? What does that mean? Why is the law good? What does sin produce in us?

Reading 5: Romans 7:14-25 Jesus rescues us from death.

What is it that we do? Why do we do bad things? How do we do what is right?

Reading 6: Ephesians 5:8-14 We are to live as children of light.

What shouldn't we have anything to do with? Why? In what way are we to live? How do we do that?