

Jesus and the twelve disciples had just returned from the country of the Gadarenes (*gad-uh-REENS*). They had been at the seaside only a short time when they were met by many people who had been anxiously waiting for their return.

In this crowd of people, there was a ruler of the Jewish synagogue. This man's name was Jairus (jay-I-ruhs). He had one little daughter, who was about twelve years old. Jairus loved his little girl, but she was very sick. In fact, she was so sick that she was about to die! Jairus felt very sad. When he heard that Jesus was returning, he went to find Him as fast as he could. He had a special request to ask of Jesus!

Many people had come seeking Jesus for one reason or another. Some came just to see Jesus work miracles. They were there merely to see what Jesus would do; they were just curious.

Jairus was very much in awe of Jesus; he knew that no one else could help him. He believed Jesus could heal his daughter. As soon as Jairus could make his way through the crowd, he went up to Jesus and knelt at His feet. Looking up at Jesus, with his eyes full of hope, Jairus begged Jesus earnestly to come to his house, where his little girl lay so sick. He said, "My little daughter lieth at the point of death: I pray thee, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live."

Jesus could see into Jairus' heart. He knew that Jairus believed that He could heal his little girl. So Jesus started walking with Jairus, to go to his house.

As they were walking to Jairus' house, the people were following them. The crowd had grown so large by then that there was hardly any room to walk freely. The people were closely packed together. People were jostling one another with their elbows and trying not to step on one another's feet as they walked along. Think of what that many people must have looked and sounded like! And Jesus was right in the middle of them all! How must He have felt? What do you suppose He was thinking of?

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MIRACLES AT CAPERNAUM

Mark 5:21-43; Luke 8:40-56

In that multitude of people there was also a woman who had a very serious illness. She had endured this illness for twelve long years. Oh, she had tried to get relief from it before. She had been to many doctors, and she had spent all her money trying to find a cure for her illness. She had endured all kinds of medical treatments, but she had never been made well or even gotten any better. Instead, she became worse. She was hoping that Jesus could heal her.

But there were so many people, and the woman was not very strong! It was all she could do to keep from falling down as she walked along. She said, "If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole."

Slowly, very slowly, the woman started working her way through the crowd. At last, she was close behind Jesus! She could see Him just ahead! She reached out her hand. Then, as the jostling of the crowd brought her near Him, she touched the hem of His garment. As soon as she did that, she knew she was healed! Inside her body, she could feel that she had been made well.

Jesus asked, "Who touched my clothes?" The disciples asked Him how that could be prevented, since the crowd was pushing from all sides. Jesus knew someone had touched Him in faith though, because He could tell that virtue (divine power) had gone out of His body. He turned to look for the woman.

The woman knew she could not hide, so she came to Jesus. Trembling, she fell at His feet and told Him what she had done. She might have told Jesus how long she had been sick, how she had longed to be well, and what she had tried to do for herself. Jesus did not scold



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her or say anything negative to her. Instead, He said, "Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace." Jesus was always kind and loving to ones who came to Him in faith.

About then, a man ran up to Jairus and told him his little girl had died; but Jesus quickly said to him, "Fear not: believe only, and she shall be made whole."

When they finally got to the house, everyone there was mourning for the little dead girl. They began to laugh when Jesus said she was just sleeping. So Jesus

made everyone leave the girl's room, except for Peter, James, John, and the girl's parents. He took the girl's hand and said, "Maid, arise." Immediately, the girl opened her eyes and sat up; then she got up and walked! Jesus told the parents to give her something to eat. How thankful they must have been!

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MEMORY VERSE:	
"Have faith in God."	— Mark 11:22
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Fill in the Blanks:

1.	Many people came to see Jesus work	
2.	had a daughter who was very sick.	
3.	In the multitude of people was a woman wh	o had been sick for years.
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5.	Jesus asked, "Who touched my	?"
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8.	Jesus took the little girl's hand and said, "	, arise."
9.	Immediately, the little girl sat up. She was _	!
10.	Jairus' faith had been	

Use these words to fill in the blanks above:

twelve faith miracles

Maid clothes died

Jairus healed hem

rewarded



Jesus and Jairus Traveled to the House of Jairus.

Find Jesus.

Find the Wailing Man Outside Jairus' House.

