## Sermon Guide

## Luke 8:40-56



▶ In Luke 8:40-56, Jesus is on his way to heal a dying girl when he stops to attend to a bleeding woman. While attending to the bleeding woman, someone comes to share the news that the girl has died. Have you ever felt like God wasn't moving fast enough or been frustrated by His timing? How did you handle it? How did it affect your faith?

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Read Luke 8:40-56 and Mk 5:21-43

- 1. What obstacles did Jairus and the bleeding woman have to overcome to reach out to Jesus for help?
- 2. Why do you think Jesus makes the sick woman reveal herself?
- 3. What do you learn about the character of the bleeding woman before and after she touches Jesus' garment? How was her faith obvious to Jesus?
- 4. Why does Jesus sometimes tell those he healed to be silent (v. 56, Lk 5:14), but other times orders the healed person to tell all (Lk 8:39)?



▶Jesus responds to Jairus and the bleeding woman in ways that teach them to have patient faith and bold faith respectively. Which do you need more right now? Why?

In what areas of your life do you find it hardest to have faith? From the stories in 8:2-56, what stands out to you about Jesus' power? His

purposes? How might this encourage you or make a difference as you face desperate situations?



In Mark 5:36, Jesus states, "Do not fear, only believe." Reaffirm your belief in Jesus and His authority over life and death. Surrender any doubts to the Lord about His timing or His goodness. Listen to the song, sing along, and/or read the lyrics to "<u>Walk by Faith</u>" by Jeremy Camp. May we walk by faith this week and all of our days.