



Introduction

Up until this point, Mark has shown us that Jesus' authority and power extend over nature and demons. Now we see His authority and power extend over disease and death. If there are people reading Mark's book who are wanting to know who Jesus is then they can sufficiently see him through this story.

Observation/Interpretation

- Mark intentionally places the story of the woman with bleeding in sync with the story of Jairus' daughter. He intends for us to consider them side by side. How are both of these stories about fear and faith?
- As Jesus heals the bleeding woman someone comes from Jairus' house announcing that it is too late to save Jairus' daughter. She had died. What do you think Jairus thought? How do you think he felt upon hearing this? How did Jesus respond to this news (Mark 5:35-36)?
- Why is disease and death seen as so powerful in our world?

Application

- In what ways has Jesus healed you physically and spiritually?
- How do we encourage one another to live in response to the revealed power of Jesus?
- Jesus often asks of us far more than we would ever intend on giving. Yet, consequently, He gives us far more than we ever thought possible. So was the case with Jairus who went to Jesus hoping He would heal his dying daughter. Instead, through this dramatic story, Jesus gave him a resurrected daughter. Have there been times in your life where God's delays have worked for an even deeper joy in your heart? Explain.

Prayer

- Ask if there is anyone who has physical needs for healing, and have everyone lay hands on them and pray for God to heal.

Community Group Discussion

- Read the passage together out loud.
- Involve your group by asking/answering the study questions, taking the time to share.
- Ask for prayer requests and be sure to pray together.

Family Discussion

- Have your child/children read the passage aloud, if old enough otherwise you read it aloud.
- Involve them by asking questions.
- Ask for prayer requests and invite them to pray together as a family.

A great way to use of these notes is to start/join a Community Group

These notes can be used for personal bible study, yet, another way would be to invite some people together. We call these intentional gatherings, 'Community Groups'.

What is a Community Group?

Community Groups are small gatherings of believers (non-believers welcomed too!) that meet regularly for accountability, friendship, study of the Bible and prayer. Community Groups are an essential part of the mission of Calvary SLO Church as they are a place where we wrestle with the truths of the Bible and encourage one another toward the life God intends. Each community group is unique and molded by the people who attend it. Most community groups gather weekly and involve food, dialog, prayer, discussion for applying the Bible to practical living, and loving service to one-another. They're meant to be an organic and authentic expression of the church, actively living like the body of Jesus.

Why should I join/start a Community Group?

God is a Trinitarian God who is revealed as one in three persons: Father, Son and Spirit. We've been made to image God, which means we're designed for community & friendship. We often suffer when we're not in community, due to the brokenness of life, complexity of this world and the temptation to isolate ourselves. We encourage you to gather with a small group of friends, family or roommates on a weekly basis and use these discussion notes to press deeper into God.

How do I join the Calvary SLO Community Group eco-system?

We're enthusiastic about all forms of biblical community, however there are definite benefits to joining with the Calvary SLO Community Group (CG) eco-system. In short, the benefits are:

- **Training:** We have trainings intent on equipping leaders.
- **Support:** Each CG leader is assigned a coach to provide assistance and ongoing support.
- **Visibility:** CG's are promoted via the bulletin, website & given access to The City (our online social network).

To join all you have to do is sign up for the next upcoming training! Info: pastor James: james@calvaryslo.com.