

It is important to ensure fellowship with God before the study of the Word.

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness (**1 John 1:9**).

Isaiah 55:11 So will My word be which goes forth from My mouth; it will not return to Me empty, without accomplishing what I desire, and without succeeding in the matter for which I sent it.

Review of the events that lead up to **Mark 5:35**



1. The Lord and the disciples returned to Capernaum from the eastern side of the Sea of Galilee (**Mark 5:1 cf. 21**).
2. The crowd welcomed Him so He remained with them by the seashore (**Mark 5:21; Luke 8:40**).
3. Jairus - the synagogue official, threw himself at the feet of the Lord and implored the Lord to heal his little daughter (**Mark 5:22-24**).
4. On His way to Jairus's home, a woman touches the Lord's outer garment and is healed from an incurable hemorrhage (**Mark 5:25-34**).
 - She had been suffering for 12 years.
 - She had spent all her money on medical bills only to wind up worse off in the care of her doctors.

Her efforts were exhausted.

Her money was spent.

Her life had become a hopeless situation.

POD: It's best to turn to the Lord and seek first His guidance.

Review James 1:5

Ask Him what to do.

Your trust is not in the doctors, but your trust is in the Lord!

Mark 5:34 He did not say “**Daughter, your faith has made you well.**”

He said to her, “**Daughter, your faith has saved you. . .**

- σῶζω – SOZO – “To save”

She was saved because she put her trust in Him!

She recognized His authority!

And He said to her, “**Daughter, your faith has saved you go in peace and be healed of your affliction.**”

- εἶμι – EIMI – “To be” – “Keep on being or continue to be”
- ὑγιής – HUGIES – “Sound, healthy, or undamaged”

POD: Regardless of the outcome, it is better to put your trust in the Lord and what He can do as opposed to physicians.

“Cursed is the man who trusteth in man and maketh flesh his arm.” **Jeremiah 17:5**
“Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord and whose trust is the Lord.” **Jeremiah 17:7**

³⁵ **While He was still speaking** [to the woman], they came from the house of the synagogue official, saying, “Your daughter has died; why trouble the Teacher anymore?” ⁶ But Jesus, overhearing what was being spoken, said to the synagogue official,

Remember, the synagogue official has already believed in Him.

Μὴ φοβοῦ -- Do not allow yourself to be afraid

He’s a believer and he has the option to fear or not to fear.

The Lord provides the solution when you are tempted to doubt.

μόνον πιστεῦε -- Keep on believing!

- The synagogue official was a believer prior to falling at the Savior’s feet in **Mark 5:22**.

“My little daughter is at the point of death; please come and lay Your hands on her, so that she will get well and live.”

The man kept his request short and to the point.

- As the Lord is in the process of answering the man’s request, his daughter dies.
- The man’s faith is tested with the report from those who have no hope –

“Your daughter has died; why trouble the Teacher anymore?”

In effect they are saying, “This is beyond His control. He can’t do anything about it.”

- How many times have you experienced that attitude from others when you are committed to pray for something?
- Maybe you’ve even had that attitude toward people who are praying for something.

The infallible Word says otherwise.

- The Lord encourages the official when He says - **Keep on believing!**

POD: The Lord lives to encourage the faith of those who trust in Him.

Luke includes something that Mark does not - **Luke 8:50** -

Luke 8:50 But when Jesus heard this, He answered him, "Do not be afraid *any longer*; only believe, and she will be made well."

- **Do not allow yourself to be afraid.**
- **Keep on believing!**

The synagogue official needs to bring His faith to a conclusion – it needs to culminate despite the bad report.

He has to make a conclusion by faith!

If the Lord said He would take care of my daughter and He's on the way to my house, then He is going to take care of it because He promised.

καὶ σωθήσεται [σώζω] - - **She will be saved.**

This is a promise from the Lord.

The synagogue official trusted in the Person of Christ first and now he has the opportunity to trust in the words of Christ.

Not only does the Lord live to encourage our faith when things appear to be going wrong, but He provides promises along the way for us to trust in.

Does your faith culminate with His promises?

Culminate (*Merriam-Webster Dictionary*) - to reach the highest or a climactic or decisive point

POD: The believer's standing order in times of testing is to keep on believing the Savior's promises.

That's where the Lord encourages your faith – in His infallible Word with His promises.

POD: Calamity is permitted to allow our faith to summit the highest point on the promises of God.



As you sink your teeth into the promises of God, your faith will summit the highest peak in the spiritual life.

³⁷ And He allowed no one to accompany Him, except Peter and James and John the brother of James.

POD: Those who walk by faith have the honor of treading with the Lord where others do not.

The Lord will take you places with Him others will never venture.

³⁸ They came to the house of the synagogue official; and He saw a commotion, and *people* loudly weeping and wailing.

- He saw a commotion - **θεωρέω** – **THEOREO** – “To observe; to look at”

He was observing three things - -

- **Θόρυβος** - *Clamor, turmoil*

Matthew’s account states He . . . “saw the flute-players and the crowd in noisy disorder.”

- **Κλαίοντας** - *bitter weeping*

- **ἀλαλάζω** - *loud wailing*

- The Lord observes a group of people who have no hope.
- The promise of the resurrection is something they have not sunken their teeth into.

“I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies” **John 11:25**

³⁹ And entering in, He said to them, “Why make a commotion and weep? The child has not died, but is asleep.”⁴⁰ They began laughing at Him.

From the crowd’s perspective this little girl had died, but from the Lord’s, she has done nothing more than fallen asleep.

- That’s His perspective because He is the God of the living.
- He has the power to wake her up from the dead.
 - He is the resurrection and the life.
 - They are laughing at Him because they do not believe in Him.

But putting them all out. . .

- He clears out all the unbelievers who were laughing at Him.
- The Lord commands [**Matthew 9:24**] - **Ἀναχωρεῖτε** – “Clear out!”

. . . He took along the child’s father and mother and His own companions, and entered *the room* where the child was.

They are walking by faith with the Lord.

They have the honor of going where those who laughed at Him do not.

Those who trust in the Lord get to go places where others do not!

⁴¹ Taking the child by the hand, He said to her, “**Talitha kum!**” [Aramaic - “Little girl, stand up”]

- Hebrew Imperative [**QUM**] meaning to “Get up or wake up”

⁴² Immediately the girl got up and *began* to walk, for she was twelve years old. And immediately they were completely astounded.

They were just like the disciples in the boat.

Mark 4:39 And He got up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, “Hush, be still.” And the wind died down and it became perfectly calm. ⁴⁰ And He said to them, “Why are you afraid? How is it that you have no faith?” ⁴¹ They became very much afraid and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey Him?” [**Matthew 8:27** “What kind of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey Him?”]

- They had not recognized He was the Lord God.
- It took a while, but when He asked Peter, “who do you say that I am?”
- Peter said, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”
- **Matthew 16:15-17**

Mark 5:43 And He gave them strict orders that no one should know about this, and He said that *something* should be given her to eat.

The evil and adulterous generation would be given no sign except the sign of Jonah.

POD: When the believer walks by faith in the Person and Promises of his Savior, not only will he venture where others will not, but His Savior will show Him wonderful things throughout his life [because he has eyes to see].

All Scriptures quoted are from New American Standard unless otherwise noted.