## Don't Be Afraid; Just Believe

Mark 5:21-43

Key Verse: 5:36

1. Read v. 21-24a. Who met Jesus when he returned to Galilee (21)? Who was Jairus and why did he come to Jesus (22-23)? What is remarkable about his attitude toward Jesus? How did Jesus respond (24a)?

2. Read v. 24b-29. How did the author describe one woman in the crowd (24b-27a; Lev 15:25,27)? Compare and contrast her coming to Jesus with that of Jairus and the crowd (24b, 27-28). What happened after she touched Jesus’ cloak (29)?

3. Read v. 30-34. What surprising question did Jesus ask the crowd and why (30-32)? How did the woman respond (33)? How did Jesus bless her (34)? What can we learn here about Jesus and about faith?

4. Read v. 35-36. What news and advice to Jairus came while Jesus was still speaking (35)? How might this have affected Jairus? How did Jesus’ words “Don’t be afraid; just believe” encourage and challenge Jairus (36)? What kind of faith does Jesus want us to have?

5. Look at v. 37-43. Upon arriving at Jairus’ house, what did Jesus say and do (37-40)? How did Jesus bring the little girl back to life (41-43)? What did this event show about Jesus? What have you learned about faith in Jesus through this passage?