



**Jesus Heals Jairus' Daughter  
and a Woman  
January 29, 2012**

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### **Bible Readings**

This Sunday's readings are divided into the readings below. We invite you to take time each day to read a part of this story.

Sunday	Mark 5:21-24	Unexpected Help Request
Monday	Mark 5:25-28	Nothing to Lose
Tuesday	Mark 5:29-33	Facing the Music
Wednesday	Mark 5:34	Be Freed
Thursday	Mark 5:35-39	Just Believe
Friday	Mark 5:40-43	I Told You So...
Saturday	Mark 5:21-43	

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### **THEME VERSE OF THE WEEK:**

*"Ignoring what they said, Jesus told the synagogue ruler, 'Don't be afraid; just believe.'" Mark 5:36*

### **PRAYER AND BLESSING:**

#### ***A Prayer for the Week:***

Lord, so often we listen to the voices of the world instead of trusting in You. Help us to stand firm in You. Amen.

#### ***A Blessing of the Week:***

May you rejoice in your freedom through Christ each day!  
Amen.



## **4 Key Faith Practices**

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### **RITUALS AND TRADITIONS:**

Create your devotion space. Start your devotions by sharing your highs and lows from the day. Read today's verses.

### **CARING CONVERSATION:**

Discuss in your household or small group:

- What causes you to doubt?
- Have you ever acted out of faith in someone or something?
- How did it work out?
- What is the hardest part of faith for you?

### **DEVOTIONS:**

This week we read two incredible stories rolled into one. The first is of Jairus and his fight to save his daughter. Synagogue rulers were not fans of Jesus, so Jesus would have had to have been a last resort for the life of Jairus' daughter. Likewise, the woman was also out of options. She had exhausted her finances and had seen many doctors and yet still suffered. Both of these people approach Jesus from the depths of their suffering and Jesus responded to both with open arms, love, healing and freedom. He does the same for us. Too often we approach Jesus in the same manner. Jesus' words to Jairus ring true for us as well, "Don't be afraid; just believe." (Mark 5:36)

### **SERVICE:**

Read Galatians 5:13. Jesus tells the woman that she is "freed" of her suffering. Jesus gave us the same freedom by dying on the cross. What role does that freedom play in your faith? In your life?