

Script – Jesus Heals Jairus’s daughter

[Opening scene, Jesus getting out of the boat, and there are many people. Jesus meets Jairus.]

Narrator: Jesus and His disciples rode out on the Sea of Galilee. They were quiet as they listened to the slap of waves on the side of the small boat.

Disciple 1: Look at the crowd!

Narrator: They worked to pull the boat into shore.

Disciple 2: Lord, you will get no rest today. Many people have come to hear you teach about God and there are probably many sick people here who hope you will make them well.

Narrator: Men and women, children too, wanted to get close to Jesus. They wanted to see the great teacher and hear what he would tell them.

Person 1: Here comes Jairus, the ruler of the synagogue. He looks worried.

Jairus: [very concerned voice] My daughter is very ill and near death. Will you come and make her well? She is my only daughter.

Jesus: Yes, I will come.

Narrator: Before the men had gone very far, they saw a servant running towards them. He rushed up to Jairus:

Servant: Master, your daughter is dead. Why trouble the great teacher any more?

Jairus: [bows head in tears] O, my daughter! She was just 12 years old.

Jesus: [comforting] Do not be afraid Jairus. Only believe. Come, let us go to the child.

Narrator: The men continued on their way to Jairus’ house.

Servant: [questioning to himself] Why go now? The child is dead. It is too late. He cannot help her now.

[Scene change to Jairus’ house.]

Narrator: Neighbors and friends had already arrived at Jairus’s house. Jesus looked at the mother and the other women that were crying.

Jesus: Why do you cry? The child is not dead, but sleeping.

Narrator: The people were startled. They looked at one another and at Jesus.

Person 2: He hasn't even seen the child. Yet he says she only sleeps.

Narrator: The people laughed at Jesus.

Jesus: [to the mourners] Please go outside.

Narrator: Everyone looked at Jairus. Would he let this man send them out?

Jairus: [nodding to the people and helped them into the courtyard]

Jesus: Come, you and your wife, let us go and see the child.

Narrator: The mother lead the way and Jesus motioned for Peter, James and John to follow them.

Jairus: [to himself] We are too late.

Narrator: Jairus squeezed his wife's hand. She was crying softly. Jesus tenderly looked at the child lying on the bed.

Jesus: [taking the child's hand] Little girl, I say to you get up.

Narrator: The girl's eyelids moved, she blinked her eyes. Then she looked up at Jesus. She got up, out of bed and slowly walked toward her parents.

Jairus: [filled with surprise and joy]

Mother: [reaches out to her daughter and cried for joy] Are you alright?

Daughter: [laughing] Of course!

Jesus: She is probably hungry. You should give her something to eat.

Narrator: There was great joy in that family because Jesus was their friend and helper.

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