

GO: A Stretching Faith
Luke 8:40-56

- i. Jesus is going to be 4-0 after this story.
- ii. Jesus has calmed a storm, healed a foreign pig herder, and now will heal an untouchable woman and raise a twelve-year-old girl from the dead.

THIS IS NOT ABOUT BEING A TRAVELING VEGAS HEALING SHOW, IT IS ABOUT A STRETCHING FAITH...

I. JESUS' POWER STRETCHED OVER SICKNESS

- A. This woman has been a social outcast for 12 years.
- B. This woman has been unable to worship for 12 years.
- C. She risked it all to come out and touch Jesus.
- D. Her faith preceded her healing.

II. JESUS' POWER STRETCHED OVER DEATH

- A. Jairus was the victim of a classic LA traffic jam.
- B. In charge of the grounds and the preacher for the day.
- C. This phrase "Don't be afraid; just believe and she will be healed."
- D. There are only three resuscitations in the gospels: here where the girl walked and ate, the widow's son who spoke in Luke 7:15 and Lazarus who received new clothing in John 11.
- E. When a person is touched by Christ their speech, their walk, their appetite, and "wardrobe" all changes.

Worthy Curiosities:

- 1. Just because a person is in the crowd doesn't mean there is faith.
- 2. The miracle doesn't produce faith but proceeds from faith.

May faith stretch from crowd to self, from self to untouchables because that is the way Jesus did it...