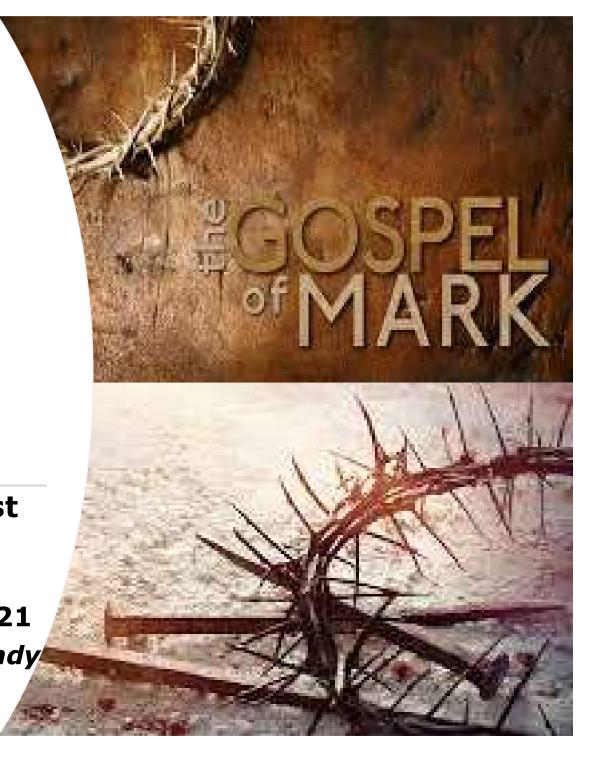
Jesus: The Master Servant

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Bible Study Series

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2021 Bible Study Series

Theme

"Jesus - The Master Servant"

Bible Book
The Gospel of Mark

Key Verse

"For even the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many."

(Mark 10:45, NLT)



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Study Aim(s)

To discover how the Gospel of Mark shares with us the true character of Jesus Christ as "Master Servant" through His life, His love, and His ministry. We will see how Jesus provides the ultimate model for those longing to actively serve others while serving God.



Jesus: The Master Servant Quick Recap

- In last week's lesson, we began to see how the Gospel of Mark moves us from a view of what Jesus taught, to a view of what He does – His actions.
- These actions were visible actions to demonstrate to His disciples that He had power and victory over all things including **Danger** and **Demons**.
- We looked at Mark 4:35-5:20 and saw Jesus calming a storm and casting out demons from a demonic possessed man.



Jesus: The Master Servant Quick Recap

- Mark showed us that God's Servant, Jesus Christ, is the Master of every situation and the Conqueror of every enemy.
- Victory is the major theme that Mark now depicts with these miracles and if we trust Him and follow His orders, then we like the disciples never need to be afraid.
- We learned that when storms come in our lives, we have someone who can speak to the storms and calm the waves.



Jesus: The Master Servant Quick Recap

- We also learned that while Satan and demonic power are real, they must still submit to the authority of the Son of God.
- We came away with the thought that there is nothing that is outside the authority of the Lord and there is nothing in our lives that He cannot overcome.



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Tonight's Focus

- We will continue to explore additional visible actions/miracles performed by the Master Servant that continued to demonstrate His power and victory over all things.
- While we looked at his power and victory over Danger and Death, tonight we will explore Mark 5:21-43 and see His power and victory over Diseases and Death.



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"The Servant Demonstrates His Power" (Part 2) (Mark 5:21-43)



Servant Demonstrates Power Lesson Aim(s)

- To show how Jesus offers hope to those in despair when it seems their situation is hopeless.
- To show us that faith in Jesus helps us resolve our most difficult and impossible situations.
- To give us encouragement to see difficult situations as opportunities to trust in Jesus and see Him work.



Servant Demonstrates PowerIntroduction

- Last week, we started to explore how the Gospel of Mark gives us a view of four(4) miracles that Jesus performed, with each miracle serving a specific purpose while demonstrating the power of the Servant and the defeat of an enemy;
- We took a look at the first two(2) miracles:
 - √ The Servant Provides Victory Over Danger (Mark 4:35-41)
 - √ The Servant Provides Victory Over Demons (Mark 5:1-20)



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- Now we will take a look at the last two(2) miracles:
 - √ The Servant Provides Victory Over Diseases (Mark 5:21-34)
 - √ The Servant Provides Victory Over Death (Mark 5:35-43)



Servant Demonstrates PowerIntroduction

- We closed last week's lesson by looking at Jesus and the disciples traveling to the other side of the Sea of Galilee into Gentile territory.
- On the journey, they encountered a fierce storm that Jesus calmed and while there, they encountered a demon-possessed man that Jesus healed.
- After sending the demons into the pigs that ran off a cliff and drowned, Jesus was asked to leave.



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- Not inclined to stay where he is not wanted,
 Jesus and His disciples decided to cross the
 lake again and returned to the other side where
 they had originally departed from.
- Mark tells us that while the people on one shore were glad to see Jesus leave, the crowds on the other shore were welcome to see Him return home to Capernaum.



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- Mark also tells us that there were two people that were especially anxious to see Him:
 - ✓ Jairus, a synagogue leader who had a daughter near death that he hoped would be healed.
 - ✓ An unnamed woman suffering from an incurable disease who hoped to be healed anonymously.
- These two people were desperate and in despair dealing with difficult problems that seemed hopeless
- They bought sought immediate attention to their situations from the Master Servant.



Servant Demonstrates Power<u>Introduction</u>

- Mark initially starts off with the story of Jairus and his request for Jesus to come and heal his daughter, but on his way to deal with the request of Jairus, Jesus first deals with the situation of the anonymous woman.
- Once completed with the anonymous woman, Jesus then resumes to deal with the request of Jairus.
- Let us take an in depth look what our text reveals how Jesus met the needs of these two people.



Servant Demonstrates PowerIntroduction

- We will look at our text through the following views:
 - ✓ A Father's Desperate Plea (Mark 5:21-24)
 - ✓ A Woman's Faith In A Hopeless Situation (Mark 5:25-34)
 - √ Hope In The Face Of Death (Mark 5:35-43)



"A Father's Desperate Plea" (Mark 5:21-24)



- > A Father's Desperate Plea (Mark 5:21-24)
 - Mark tells us that from out of the crowd came a ruler of the synagogue named Jairus specifically seeking Jesus.
 - Since Jairus was a leader of the synagogue, he probably was a Pharisee and Pharisees were typically not fans of Jesus as they saw Him as disruptive and accused Him of leading people astray.
 - But since Jairus was seeking out Jesus, this gives some evidence of the acceptance of Jesus by some of the Jews.



- > A Father's Desperate Plea (Mark 5:21-24)
 - We are not told how, but Jairus already had personal knowledge about Jesus and what He could do.
 - We don't know if Jairus was a secret follower (like Nicodemus), but he had heard and believed that Jesus had the power to help him with his situation.
 - When Jairus found Jesus, he fell at His feet and begged Jesus to come to his house and heal his daughter (Mark 5:22-23).



> A Father's Desperate Plea (Mark 5:21-24)

- Jairus asked Jesus to come quickly as his daughter was dying and he knew of no other place to find help.
- Jairus had faith that Jesus was able to heal his daughter.
- Jesus agreed and He and many in the crowd followed, as He headed out with Jairus back to his house.



➤ A Father's Desperate Plea (Mark 5:21-24) Golden Nuggets/Takeaways

- It didn't matter that Jairus was a Pharisee and leader of the synagogue. He was a person in need and that was the only thing that mattered to Jesus.
- Jesus loved Jairus and did not hesitate to go with him as Jesus is full of compassion (Matthew 14:14, 20:34). Jesus was pleased that Jairus had the faith to come to Him (Hebrews 11:6).



➤ A Father's Desperate Plea (Mark 5:21-24) Golden Nuggets/Takeaways

- Like Jairus, you may have resisted the Lord all your life, but if you turn to Him, He will not turn the past against you. He is willing to help you as well!
- As He did for Jairus, Jesus feels every bit of pain that we feel and we should never be afraid to bring our needs to Him.
- He has the power to help us when no one else can—and the perfect wisdom to always do exactly what is best for us!



"A Woman's Faith In A Hopeless Situation" (Mark 5:25-34)



- ➤ A Woman's Faith In A Hopeless Situation (Mark 5:25-34)
 - In verse 24, Mark tells us that Jesus responded to the plea of Jairus and began to move toward Jairus' home.
 - Since his daughter was dying, it seemed very important that they get there as soon as possible.
 - But Jesus was halted in his journey as He was approached by a woman in the crowd who had been suffering with a medical issue for a long time.



- ➤ A Woman's Faith In A Hopeless Situation (Mark 5:25-34)
 - This unnamed anonymous woman was described as:
 - ✓ She had been hemorrhaging for 12 years
 - ✓ She had spent all she had on doctors, but had not been cured.
 - ✓ She had been shunned by society and considered ceremonially unclean according to Leviticus 15.
 - ✓ Sexually, she could not have intimacy with her husband.



- ➤ A Woman's Faith In A Hopeless Situation (Mark 5:25-34)
 - This unnamed anonymous woman was described as:
 - ✓ Domestically, she could not wash dishes, she could not clean house, she could not sweep floors as anything she touched was considered unclean.
 - ✓ Spiritually, she was not allowed to enter the temple and worship
 - ✓ She woke up each day to the same pain, bleeding, emotional challenges, and being shunned by society.



- ➤ A Woman's Faith In A Hopeless Situation (Mark 5:25-34)
 - This woman is down to her last prayer, and is about to pray it when she meets Jesus.
 - However, she let nothing stand in her way as she pushed through the crowd and came to Jesus.
 - She could have used a number of excuses to convince herself to stay away from Him:
 - ✓ I am not important
 - √ He's busy with Jairus
 - ✓ Nothing else has helped me, so why bother



- ➤ A Woman's Faith In A Hopeless Situation (Mark 5:25-34)
 - She could have given up and accepted her situation, but laid all of the excuses aside and came by faith to Jesus.
 - She came behind Jesus, reached out and touched his clothes (Mark 5:27)
 - Her view was "If I can just get to Jesus and touch His clothes, I will be healed" (Mark 5:28)



- ➤ A Woman's Faith In A Hopeless Situation (Mark 5:25-34)
 - Jesus honored her faith and immediately she was healed (Mark 5:29)
 - The woman planned to simply "steal a healing" and slip away in the crowd without being noticed.
 - But Jesus turned and stopped her and asked "who touched my clothes" (Mark 5:30)



- ➤ A Woman's Faith In A Hopeless Situation (Mark 5:25-34)
 - The disciples wonder why Jesus would ask a foolish question of who touched Him (Mark 5:31)
 - Having been called out, the anonymous woman came and fell down before Him and provided testimony for her healing (Mark 5:33)
 - Jesus then gave the woman more that she was seeking. He healed her of her bleeding disorder, but also made her whole and told her to go in peace as her suffering was over (Mark 5:34)



➤ A Woman's Faith In A Hopeless Situation (Mark 5:25-34)

Question

 Why did Jesus call her out? Why did He not simply allow her to remain anonymous and go her way?



- ➤ A Woman's Faith In A Hopeless Situation (Mark 5:25-34)
 - Question: Why did Jesus call her out? Why did He not simply allow her to remain anonymous and go her way?
 - 1. He did it for her own sake. He wanted to be something more to her than a healer. He wanted to be her Savior and Friend as well. To "be made whole" means he had also given her spiritual healing in addition to a physical healing.



- ➤ A Woman's Faith In A Hopeless Situation (Mark 5:25-34)
 - Question: Why did Jesus call her out? Why did He not simply allow her to remain anonymous and go her way?
 - 2. He did also for the sake of Jairus. Jesus's words to the woman about faith and peace worked to also encourage Jairus whose daughter was lying near death.
 - 3. So that the woman might have the opportunity to share her testimony and glorify God [Let the redeemed of the Lord say so....Psalm 107:2]. Some in the crowd heard her words and trusted in the Savior.



➤ A Woman's Faith In A Hopeless Situation (Mark 5:25-34)

Golden Nuggets/Takeaways

- We must understand that it was the faith of the woman that healed her, not the action itself of touching His garment.
- 2. Jesus wants those that are hurting and walking through pain or struggling in some area of life to know that you are not lost in the crowd before Jesus. He is intimately aware of every single detail of our lives, and we have His attention in the middle of the crowds.



➤ A Woman's Faith In A Hopeless Situation (Mark 5:25-34)

Golden Nuggets/Takeaways

- 3. Jesus did not need to ask who touched Him, but for the woman's benefit He gave her the opportunity to express her faith before all the people.
- 4. Jesus wants those in need to know that they did not have to come to Him with fear or in secret. He is willing to respond to those whose faith is totally in Him.



"Hope In The Face Of Death" (Mark 5:35-43)



- ➤ Hope In The Face of Death (Mark 5:35-43)
 - After healing the anonymous woman, Jesus now turns his attention back to Jairus, who has witnessed the healing of the woman.
 - Before they could arrive at Jairus' house, someone came and informed that his daughter was now dead (Mark 5:35)
 - But Jesus sought to encourage Jairus when He told Jairus "Be not afraid, only believe" (Mark 5:36). He provided Jairus a word of faith



- ➤ Hope In The Face of Death (Mark 5:35-43)
 - Jesus was basically telling Jairus;
 - √ "Don't be afraid, just have faith"
 - √ "You had a certain amount of faith when you came to Me"
 - ✓ "Your faith was helped when you saw what I did for the woman"
 - √ "Don't quit, but keep on believing"
 - ✓ "Just because there is news of more darkness, remember that I am the Light of the world (John 8:12)"



- ➤ Hope In The Face of Death (Mark 5:35-43)
 - Jesus then stopped the crowd and didn't allow anyone except Peter, James, and John to Jairus' house (Mark 5:37)
 - Upon arriving at Jairus' house, he encountered the professional mourners preparing for a funeral (Mark 5:38)
 - He went inside and proclaimed that the girl was not dead, but only sleeping (Mark 5:39).
 He provided Jairus a word of hope



- ➤ Hope In The Face of Death (Mark 5:35-43)
 - The crowd laughed at Him, for they were professionals and surely knew when someone was dead (Mark 5:40)
 - But Jesus made the crowd leave and He, the three disciples and the parents went into the room where the girl was lying (Mark 5:40)



- ➤ Hope In The Face of Death (Mark 5:35-43)
 - Holding the little girl's hand, Jesus said "little girl get up" and she stood up and started walking around (Mark 5:41-42). Jesus provided a word of love and power.
 - Jesus gave the parents orders not to tell anyone and for them to get the little girl something to eat (Mark 5:43)
 - Question: Why did Jesus give orders for the parents not to tell anyone about the miracle?



- ➤ Hope In The Face Of Death (Mark 5:35-43)
 Golden Nuggets/Takeaways
- 1. The account of Jairus' daughter being raised helps us to understand the authority of Jesus has over death. As His disciples observed and learned during this time, we should also take note of His power as Servant who has already defeated death.
- 2. Jesus provided Jairus words of faith, words of hope, and words of love and power. We should also be reminded that these same words are available to us today.
- 3. Jesus intervenes in hopeless situations and offers us hope. We are called to trust Him, even when things seem impossible.



Servant Demonstrates Power Jairus and the Anonymous Woman

- The contrast between these two people reveals the great depth and width of the Servant's love and mercy:
 - ✓ Jairus was an important synagogue officer, but the woman was an anonymous nobody.
 - ✓ Jairus was about to lose a daughter who had given him 12 years of happiness, and the woman was about to lose an affliction that had brought her 12 years of sorrow and shame.
 - ✓ Jairus was no doubt wealthy, but his wealth could not save his dying daughter. The anonymous woman was already broke and bankrupt as she had given the doctors all of her money without being cured.



Servant Demonstrates Power Jairus and the Anonymous Woman

- Though difference, Jairus and the poor women did have several things in common:
 - ✓ Both realized that they had problems they could not solve themselves
 - ✓ Both hoped that Jesus would respond and COULD, but they did not know that he WOULD!
 - ✓ Both exercised faith (took a step of faith) with their personal situations.
 - ✓ Both received blessings The woman was healed publicly, Jairus's daughter was healed privately.
 - ✓ Both would find the answers to their needs at the feet of Jesus!



Questions, Answers and/or Comments

Thank You!

May God Continue To Shower You With His Abundant Blessings!

Meet us here next week on May 19th for: Session #12 "The Growing Opposition To The Servant" (Mark 6:1-56)

