

Trusting God Through Uncertainty, Part 4
Luke 8:40-56

Getting Started

- ❖ Which of the following have you experienced personally? (put a check mark to the left of the item) Which do you fear the most? (circle one or more items)

<input type="checkbox"/> sickness	<input type="checkbox"/> physical pain	<input type="checkbox"/> emotional pain
<input type="checkbox"/> economic hardship	<input type="checkbox"/> poverty	<input type="checkbox"/> war
<input type="checkbox"/> disease	<input type="checkbox"/> natural disaster	<input type="checkbox"/> injustice
<input type="checkbox"/> hunger	<input type="checkbox"/> political persecutio	<input type="checkbox"/> grief
<input type="checkbox"/> crime	<input type="checkbox"/> accidents	<input type="checkbox"/> injury
<input type="checkbox"/> demonic attack	<input type="checkbox"/> long-term health problems	<input type="checkbox"/> death

- ❖ How does the gospel address a person's fear of hardship and calamity?

Digging Deeper

- ❖ **Read Luke 8:40-56.**

- Note: in the following questions, no “detail” is too small to consider and use in creating your profiles. Put yourself in the story, the setting as if you were one of the Disciples observing all that took place.
- Using clues from the text, compare and contrast the woman with the chronic condition and Jarius whose daughter was gravely ill.
- Why is it significant that Jarius came to Christ for help? What “tests of faith” did he have to endure before his daughter was restored to him?
- How would you describe the faith of the woman compared to Jarius? What does this say to us about Jesus, our faith and our relationship with Jesus?
- The disciples seemed shocked and surprised by Christ's power; however, Jarius and the bleeding woman seemed to have great faith in the power of Christ. What is the explanation for this?
- Does Jesus still heal people today? Why aren't all people healed and saved from death?
- Do you think Jesus delaying and addressing the bleeding woman over Jarius' urgent need was appropriate or not? Why or Why not?
- What does the story of Jarius teach us about Jesus? Be specific and don't neglect even the smallest of details or observations.
- Jerry spent a large part of his message applying the importance of “delays” and Jesus not answering prayers in the way we expect. What did you take away from this portion of the sermon? What convicted, encouraged or made you think?

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❖ **Applying this passage to Our Lives:**

- What are the implications for your life that Jesus has power and authority over all things—even death?
- The common response to the power of Jesus was that people stood in awe, wonder, and amazement. When was the last time that you marveled at the power of Christ over all things?
- The woman demonstrated great persistence and “nerve” to do what she did. As a result she was healed. Do you come to Jesus in this way? Do you believe your approach to Jesus could affect your prayer life and the results of it?

Think About It!

In Christ there is no longer reason to fear sickness, disease, demons, deformity, tragedy, or even death. As believers, we can even rejoice in dying because our Lord has conquered death. Though we will not be brought back to this life, we will be raised to new life. In Him is fullness of joy and life everlasting. “No longer must the mourners weep,” a poet reminds us, “nor call departed children dead, for death is transformed into sleep and every grave becomes a bed. (John MacArthur)

Praying Together

Where do you need Christ’s powerful touch today? Share this with your group and pray for one another in this area. Conclude by spending time praising and trusting God to do the difficult or even the “impossible” in your situation.

WORSHIP RESOURCE

May 10, 2020 | Fifth Sunday of Easter

WORSHIP SONGS

I SING THE MIGHTY POWER OF GOD

Words by Isaac Watts, 1715 / German Melody

I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise;
that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies.

I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day.
The moon shines full at His command and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food.
He formed the creatures with His word and then pronounced them
good. Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed where'er I turn my eye.
If I survey the ground I tread or gaze upon the sky.

There's not a plant or flower below but makes Thy glories known;
and clouds arise and tempests blow by order from Thy throne.
While all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care;
and everywhere that man can be, Thou, God art present there.

DEATH WAS ARRESTED

*Words and Music by Brandon Coker, Adam Kersh,
Paul Taylor Smith and Heath Balltzglier, 2015*

Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin; lost without hope with
no place to begin. Your love made a way to let mercy come in
when death was arrested and my life began.

Ash was redeemed only beauty remains. My orphan heart was
given a name. My mourning grew quiet, my feet rose to dance
when death was arrested and my life began.

*Oh, Your grace so free washes over me. You have made me new,
now life begins in You. It's your endless love pour down on us.
You have made us new, now life begins with You.*

Released from my chains, I'm a prisoner no more. My shame
was a ransom He faithfully bore. He cancelled my debt and He
called me His friend, when death was arrested and my life began.

Our Savior displayed on a criminal's cross; darkness rejoiced as
though Heaven had lost. But, then Jesus arose with our freedom
in hand, that's when death was arrested and my life began.

CHRIST OUR HOPE IN LIFE AND DEATH

*Words and Music by Keith Getty, Matt Boswell, Jordan Kauflin,
Matthew Merker, and Matt Papa, 2020*

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone. What is
our only confidence? That our souls to Him belong. Who holds our
days within His hand? What comes, apart from His command? And
what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.

*O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal; O sing hallelujah!
Now and forever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.*

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good, God is good.
Where is His grace and goodness known? In our great Redeemer's
blood. Who holds our faith when fears arise? Who stands above the

stormy trial? Who sends the waves that bring us nigh to the shore,
the rock of Christ?

Unto the grave, what shall we sing? "Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with Him. There
we will rise to meet the Lord, then sin and death will be destroyed,
and we will feast in endless joy, when Christ is our forevermore.

GREAT ARE YOU LORD

*Words and Music by David Leonard, Jason Ingram,
and Leslie Jordan, 2012*

You give life. You are love. You bring light to the darkness.
You give hope. You restore every heart that is broken.
And great are You, Lord.

*It's Your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise,
we pour out our praise. It's Your breath in our lungs,
so we pour out our praise to You only.*

And all the earth will shout Your praise.
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing, great are You, Lord (3x)

DAILY READINGS | BOOK OF COMMON WORSHIP

SUNDAY | Ps. 93; Leviticus 8:1-36; Hebrews 12:1-4; Luke 4:16-30

MONDAY | Ps. 124; Leviticus 16:1-19; 1 Thess. 4:13-18; Matt. 6:1-6

TUESDAY | Ps. 66; Leviticus 16:20-34; 1 Thess. 5:1-11; Matt. 6:7-18

WEDNESDAY | Ps. 99; Lev. 19:1-18; 1 Thess. 5:12-28; Matt. 6:19-24

THURSDAY | Ps. 68; Lev. 19:26-37; 2 Thess. 1:1-12; Matt. 6:25-34

FRIDAY | Ps. 96; Leviticus 23:1-22; 2 Thess. 2:1-7; Matt. 7:1-12

SATURDAY | Ps. 92; Leviticus 23:23-44; 1 Thess. 3:1-18; Matt. 7:13-21

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Lord Jesus,
you are the way, the truth, and the light.
Help us to live with the hope
that you are preparing a place for us,
and that where you are, we will also be.
Like Stephen, would you fill us with the Spirit,
that we may see your glory at the right hand of the Father,
and know your presence with us here on earth.
In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.



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