

WHY BOTHER?

Small Faith, Huge God, Part 3

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While Jesus was still speaking, some men came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue ruler. "Your daughter is dead," they said. "Why bother the teacher any more?"

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

He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James. When they came to the home of the synagogue ruler, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. He went in and said to them, "Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep." But they laughed at him.

After he put them all out, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum!" (which means, "Little girl, I say to you, get up!"). Immediately the girl stood up and walked around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished. He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and told them to give her something to eat.

Mark 5:35-40 NIV

The voice of doubt and defeat says "_____?
_____?"

- This voice could be from the enemy, from other people, or from within yourself.

The voice of Jesus tells us, "Don't be afraid,
_____."

"Don't be afraid; just believe."

Mark 5:36

- The voice of doubt will often be speaking what is a fact.
- Jesus faces the facts, but ignores them and turns to the truth which he knows to be a deeper reality.

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink

Matt 6:25

Abraham fell facedown; he laughed and said to himself, "Will a son be born to a man a hundred years old?"

Gen 17:17

"The child is not dead but asleep." But they laughed at him.

Mark 5:39

After he put them all out...

Mark 5:40

**All scriptures from TNIV unless otherwise noted*