DO NOT FEAR, ONLY BELIEVE

Mark 5:21 - 43

JESUS HAD DIRTY FEET

He walked the dusty roads.

•He went to the people instead of requiring them to come to the temple.

GETTING OUR FEET DIRTY AND OUR CLOTHES DUSTY

 Do we limit our witnessing to inviting someone to church?

You are the Gospel...Good News.

WE NEED TO SMELL LIKE JESUS

The Bible says we have a Jesus scent, a God fragrance. We are the aroma of Christ.

2 CORINTHIANS 2:14 – 15A

But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere. For we are the aroma of Christ..."

HOW CAN WE SPREAD THE AROMA OF CHRIST?

1. Have a mind to. Look for opportunities.

2. Serve those in need. H2O (yourbethanyec.org)

3. Think about how you would explain the Gospel to someone.

JAIRUS WENT IN SEARCH FOR JESUS

He didn't send anyone else. He went himself.

 Jeremiah 29:13-14 "You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all of your heart. I will be found by you, declares the Lord and will bring you back from captivity."

HUMBLED

 Although a man of influence and authority, he was powerless against his daughter's illness.

He was humbled by his need.

He fell at Jesus' feet.

JESUS ACCEPTED THE INVITATION

Jesus agreed to go with Jairus to his house.

Bring Jesus with You.

PSALM 139:7-12

 Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me. If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover and the light about me be night," even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you.

GOD IS WITH ME EVEN WHEN:

- I make wrong choices
- •I run away
- I try to hide

JESUS IS WORTH THE RISK

- The woman risked further punishment when she decided to go in public to discretely reach for the hem of Jesus' robe.
- We sometimes have to risk our status, reputation, friendships, relationships and sometimes safety to be associated with Jesus.

CLEAN VS UNCLEAN

No matter how broken or bad or unclean you think you may be, you can't make Jesus unclean.

He is Holy, altogether good with a righteousness that cannot be tainted, defiled or ruined.

FROM SPENDING TO BELIEVING

- The woman spent her money and years of her life to be well.
- We too spend our resources and energies trying to solve our problems ourselves.
- She decided to believe in the power of Jesus and she acted on her belief.

DELAY, DEATH, KEEP BELIEVING

- The healing of the woman creates a delay in getting Jesus to Jairus' home.
- Jairus receives word that his daughter has died.
- Jesus tells him: "Do not be afraid. Only believe."
- "Only Believe" can be interpreted "Keep Believing"
- There are times when circumstances make us want to give up,. Jesus wants us to keep believing.

BELIEVE IN THE PERSON OF JESUS

•Be sure to place your hope and believing frame of mind on the person of Jesus Christ and not on the method you want him to use or the outcome you want to have.

FEELING DEAD INSIDE? KEEP BELIEVING.

NEXT STEPS