

Acts 2:12 And they all continued in amazement and great perplexity, saying to one another,

"What Does This Mean?"

Response Questions for, "Jesus Christ, Lord over the Dead," (Mark 5:21-24, 35-43 [Gospel Parallels - Matt. 9:18, 19, 23-26; Luke 8:41, 42, 49-56])



Basic Ideas from Mark 5:21-24, 35-43.

The Holy Spirit is calling to us from this passage to consider three ideas.

1. The Holy Spirit desires for us to know Jesus is Lord over the dead.
2. The Holy Spirit desires for us to choose the life of Jesus rather than the death in unbelief.
3. The Holy Spirit desires for us to feel the joy of trusting in the control and compassion of Jesus.



Basic Questions from Mark 5:21-24, 35-43.

1. What did it take for the synagogue official to humble himself before Jesus Christ? What were the implications of this "humbling" to his position in society?
2. What emotions are invoked when you consider the context of his situation?
3. With all of the tragedy present, what reasons could be offered as to why did Jesus honor his request? What reasons might you offer as to why those in the audience said, "Why trouble the Teacher anymore?"
4. What is Jesus asking Jairus to do in verse 36? Why is this often the hardest thing to do?
5. What is it about Peter, James, and John that allowed them into this situation?
6. What reasons might you offer as to why Mark includes the statement concerning "weeping and wailing?"
7. What emotions would come into play when those around the situation begin to laugh?
8. How is our Lord's compassion for the family seen in verse 40?
9. What does this miracle tell you in verse 42?
10. Why the call to silence in verse 43?
11. Are you open to His healing touch? Are you willing to believe and see the impossible?
12. What application can we make from this text?



The **Basic Application** from Mark 5:21-24, 35-43.

1. What tragedy are you confronted with?
2. How deep is your despair?
3. Has it crushed you to the point where your only hope is Jesus?
4. Are you willing to believe He is enough in your situation?
5. Will you repent of your unbelief? Jesus invites you to believe He is enough in this life and in the life to come.
6. What does this story cause you to change in your thinking and/or actions?