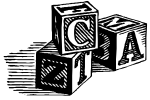


Acts 2:12 And they all continued in amazement and great perplexity, saying to one another,

"What Does This Mean?"

Response Questions for, "Jesus Christ, the Lord over the Defiled,"
(Mark 5:25-34 [Gospel Parallels – Matt. 9:20-22; Luke 8:43-48]).



Basic Ideas from Mark 5:25-34.

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

1. The Holy Spirit desires for us to know that God receives us as we are and makes us what He is.
2. The Holy Spirit desires for us to choose Him for our acceptance, reception, and welcome.
3. The Holy Spirit desires for us to feel the joy of cleansing by God's power.



Basic Question from Mark 5:25-34.

1. What reasons might we offer as to why Mark interrupts the story of Jairus and introduces a "new" thought?
2. Does Jesus ever appear to be in a hurry?
3. Is He ever interrupted from fulfilling His mission?
4. What might this tell us about the way we live our lives?
5. How might you describe the woman's emotional and spiritual state?
6. How does verse 27 describe the woman's faith in coming to Jesus?
7. How might you describe the woman's thoughts in verse 29?
8. How might you describe the woman's thoughts in verse 30?
9. Do you think Jesus already knew who it was He had healed, and thus why do you think He asked His question in verse 30?
10. What emotion do you reason Jesus to have in His statement in verse 34?
11. Perhaps you have a problem you are too ashamed or embarrassed to share with anyone but Jesus. Today I would invite you to share it with Him. To come to Him for your healing.
12. Are you open to His healing touch? Are you willing to believe and see the impossible?
13. Do you believe God knows your name and that He calls you by name?
14. Do you believe God can touch you and embrace you in your despair?
15. Do you believe God can do the impossible, perform the unimaginable, and accomplish the unthinkable?



The **Basic Application** from Mark 5:25-34.

1. What sickness holds you in bondage?
2. Perhaps today you feel unclean. Perhaps today you've fallen into a persistent sin. Perhaps today you have soiled yourself with temptation's garment. Perhaps today you do not feel like you have fellowship with God and that He is holding you at arms length. Friend, today Jesus calls you clean and invites you into His throne room and to His banqueting table. He invites you to come to His throne of grace and partake of His delicacies. His presence is warm and embracing, and His table is set for your freedom and celebration.
3. God calls you to give up your uncleanness and to embrace Him. But it is only as you come to Him that you will lose the "taste" for lesser things.

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4. To what or to whom have you turned for healing? What tragedy are you confronted with?
5. Has it crushed you to the point where your only hope is Jesus?
6. Are you willing to believe He is enough in your situation?
7. Will you repent of your unbelief? Jesus invites you to believe He is enough in this life and in the life to come.
8. What does this story cause you to change in your thinking and/or actions?