One day, of the people, Jairus, came to Jesus and begged him to come to his house. His daughter was dying. She was about 12 years old. Jesus was on the way to the man's house and people were following.

One woman touched the clothes that Jesus was wearing. She, too, was sick. When she touched his clothing she was healed. Jesus stopped and asked, "Who touched me?" He knew that healing power had gone out from him. Finally the woman came forward and told everyone she had been healed. While Jesus was speaking to the crowd, a man came with a message from Jairus' house-his daughter had died and there wasn't a reason any more for Jesus to come. Jesus told everyone, "Do not fear, she shall be well." When

Jesus came to Jairus' house, he took the hand of the little girl. He said, "Child, arise." At once her spirit came back. Her parents were amazed and happy. He told them to tell no one what happened.



WHAT DO YOU THINK?

- 1. What was the name of the man who begged Jesus to heal his daughter?
- 2. Jesus stopped on the way to Jairus' house. Why?
- 3. While he spoke to the crowd. what message was brought to him?
- 4. Jesus kept traveling to Jairus' house. Why?
- 5. What happened at Jairus' house?



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Pre-12



Materials:

- copy of the song, "He Heals"
- icon coloring page

Procedure:

- 1. After reading the gospel story to your child, take time to review the discussion questions following the story.
- 2. Introduce your child to the song, "He Heals". Sing the first verse to your child. Repeat the verse, inviting your child to join in singing with you.
- 3. Sing the second verse to your child. Repeat the verse, inviting your child to join in singing with you.
- 4. Sing the third verse to your child. Repeat the verse, inviting your child to join in singing with you.
- 5. Repeat the entire song, singing all three verses together.
- 6. Discuss with your child how the family must have felt to witness this wonderful miracle. Because they believed, Jesus knew their faith was great and he healed their daughter.
- 7. Go to your family icon corner and pray for a family member or friend who is sick. Remind your child to pray for those who are sick and need healing.
- 8. Print out the icon coloring page and allow your child to color.

Song

He Heals, to the tune of "When Johnny Comes Marching Home"

- A man set out to find Jesus
 to heal, to heal
 His daughter was dying, he asked Jesus
 to heal, to heal
 The man fell down at Jesus' feet
 He was sad and begged for help,
 He had great faith that Jesus could heal the girl.
- Jesus walked to Jairus' house
 to heal, to heal
 When a woman touched his clothes
 he healed, he healed
 She had been sick for 12 long years,
 But she believed and had great faith
 So Jesus told her, "Go in peace, because you're healed."
- As they walked on, a man told them no need to heal
 Jairus' daughter now is dead
 no need to heal
 But Jesus said, "Do not be afraid,
 Just believe and she'll be well."
 A miracle happened and Jesus healed the girl.



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One day, an important man came to see Jesus. His name was Jairus and he was the ruler of the synagogue. He fell down at Jesus' feet and begged Jesus to come to his house. His only daughter, who was 12, was dying.

Jesus began to walk to Jairus' house. Everyone was crowding around Him. A woman was in the crowd who had been sick for 12 years and had spent all her money on doctors but was still sick. She squeezed in behind Jesus and touched the hem of his clothes. She knew right away that she was healed!

Jesus said, "Who touched me?" Peter said, "There are so many people around you. Why do you want to know who touched you?" Jesus said, "I know someone touched Me because I felt power go out from Me."

The woman was afraid. She fell down in front of Jesus and told Him she had touched Him so she could be healed. She told Him that she was healed. He said, "Because you believed in Me, you are healed. Go in peace."

While Jesus was still talking, a man came to Jairus and told him, "Your daughter died. You don't need Jesus' help anymore."

Jesus told Jairus, "Don't be afraid, just believe and she'll be well." He kept going to the house.

When He got to Jairus' house, Jesus only let Peter, James, John, Jairus, and his wife inside. They were crying. Jesus told them not to cry because the girl was just sleeping. The others laughed when Jesus said that, because she was dead.

Then Jesus took her hand and said, "Little girl, get up!" A miracle happened! She got up right away. Jesus asked that someone get her some food. Then He asked her parents not to tell anyone what had happened.



WHAT DO YOU THINK?

- 1. Why was Jairus an important man? What kind of work did he do?
- 2. Even though he was important, he asked Jesus for help. How did he do that?
- 3. How old was Jairus' daughter? Do you know anyone that age? Who?
- 4. Something interrupted Jesus' walk to Jairus' house. What happened?
- 5. After Jesus healed the sick woman, a man came to talk to Jairus. What did he say?
- 6. What did Jesus tell Jairus? What did he tell Jairus' daughter?
- 7. We can ask Jesus for help too when we pray. He hears us and will help us.



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As Jesus went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years, and had spent all her living upon physicians, and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you, and you say, 'Who touched me?"" But Jesus said, "Someone touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And Jesus said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace."

While Jesus was speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when Jesus came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and James and John, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but Jesus said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand Jesus called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and Jesus directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.



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WHAT DO YOU THINK?

- 1. There are two stories that make up this Gospel reading. Describe each.
- 2. If a member of your family needed healing, would you have acted as Jairus did? Why or why not?
- 3. What do you think about Jairus, a ruler of the synagogue, falling at Jesus' feet to ask for help?
- 4. If you were in need of healing, would you have acted as the woman did? Why or why not?
- 5. How are these two stories similar? What makes them different?
- 6. What can we learn from these two stories that will help us be closer to God?



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