

Suggested Worship Order
March 29, 2020
(The activities and order are up to you!)

Open with a simple prayer of thanksgiving for daily divine mercies, acknowledging God's mighty faithfulness, asking for His forgiveness and for His blessing as you gather.

Read a passage of Scripture. Consider Psalm 116 ("Saved from Death").

Sing a familiar hymn or song. Nowadays you can download the lyrics of almost every hymn or song you can think of. Some suggestions: *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*; *10,000 Reasons*; *Give to Our God Immortal Praise*; *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*.

Watch or listen to the preaching.

Just to help you know where the preacher is going, here is the outline!

"Mighty Available for Seekers and Takers"
Luke 8:40-56

- I. **An Earnest Seeker: Faith's Humble Approach, vv. 41-42.**
 - A. *Coming in Humility.*
 - B. *Coming in Need.*
 - C. *Coming in Confidence.*

- II. **A Secret Taker: Faith's Faithful Follow-Through, vv. 43-48.**
 - A. *"Touch and Go" — Faith Reaching Out, vv. 43-44.*
 - B. *No Getting Away! — Faith Called Out, vv. 45-46.*
 - C. *Telling All — Faith Following Through, v. 47.*
 - D. *Blessed Assurance — Faith Confirmed, 48.*

- III. **A Death-Defeater: Faith's Great Savior, vv. 49-56.**
 - A. *The Word of His Promise Strengthening a Faltering Faith, v. 50.*
 - B. *The Word of His Presence Confronting a Public Perception, v. 52.*
 - C. *The Word of His Power Restoring a Dead Daughter, v. 54.*

Sing a song when the sermon is over. Some suggestions: *Rock of Ages*; *Crown Him with Many Crowns*.

Listen to a song! Many years ago, after my conversion to Christ, I listened to the music of Don Francisco. I appreciated Mr. Francisco's ability to take many of the Scriptural accounts and express them in faithful ballads. One of those songs is about Jesus' healing of Jairus' daughter, from Jairus'

perspective. It is entitled “*Got to Tell Somebody*.” The link to the song is posted on our website next to the sermon (youtu.be/zYwNwTqI-y4). I think you will be encouraged by it!

Spend time in discussion or reflection on what you heard.

[Possible Discussion Questions]

- For the third time in chapter 8 we find Jesus in the midst of a crowd. According to preacher, what encouragement can we take from His “accessibility”?
- What did the Jairus and the woman with flow of the blood have in common? How were they different from the rest of the “crowd”?
- Why don’t people come to Jesus as Jairus and the woman did? Have you realized that *you* really need Jesus? And do you know *why* you really need Him?
- *Why* did Jairus come to Jesus? *How* did he come to Him?
- *Why* did the woman come to Jesus? *How* did she come to Him?
- How was the faith of the woman manifested in this account?
- What was Jesus’ response to her “secret” contact? Why does He “call her out” of her “hiding”?
- What did the woman receive from Jesus through her faith? (consider verse 48)
- Verses 50-56 describes all that Jesus does after Jairus receives the news of his daughter’s death. According to the preacher, Jesus gave *six* different instructions or commands in this section. Can you find and name them?
- How does Jesus encourage Jairus after the news of his daughter’s death comes?
- How does Jesus address the public mourners? What does His presence mean at the death scene?
- How does Jesus restore Jairus’ dead daughter? What does this act reveal about Him, and how may that help our faith?
- What in this account made the greatest impression on you? What was most encouraging or helpful to you?
- Have you, like Jairus and the woman, recognized your own great need to be delivered from the defilement of your sin and from the spiritual death that is the result of it? Have you believed and trusted in Him? Are you following Him in the obedience of faith?

Close with prayer, thanking God for His Word, asking Him to help you to understand, hold on to, and faithfully apply what you have heard.