

“Don’t Be Afraid, Just Believe”
Mark 5:34-36

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1. One of the most beautiful stories in the Bible about an encounter with Jesus is actually a story within a story.
 - a. Whatever else this story has to say, it has some powerful messages about two kinds of persons: those who serve and those who need to be served.
2. Let's look at each of the characters in this story.
 - I. There Are Several Messages For Those Who Serve.
 - A. Service will drain you of your energy.
 - B. Some will misunderstand and ridicule your efforts.
 - C. There's the reward of a task within a task.
 - II. There Are Three Messages For Those Who Need To Be Served.
 - A. Jesus has time for the all people, from the highest to the lowest and all in between.
 - B. Jesus reaches you at your point of need.
 1. “Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.” 1 Peter 5:6-7
 - C. Jesus heals in His time and in His way.