



Jimmy Rushton: *Death & Daughters*

APPETIZER: Law & Repentance

Faith and Family

- Our family of origin influences our faith

The story behind the story

- Malachi – the last of the prophets
- Malachi means "my messenger"
- The short book is written in argumentative/debate style, and is explicitly about messianic hope

"But for you who fear my name, the Sun of Righteousness will rise with healing in his wings. And you will go free, leaping with joy like calves let out to pasture."

Malachi 4:2

DINE IN: Two daughters, One Rabbi, Two miracles

Mark 5:21-43

1. A little girl dying
2. The woman bleeding
3. The number 12

Kanaph OR Wings – the prayer shawl of the priest/rabbi

TAKE OUT: Image bearers & Jesus' kids

How does Jesus see us?

What is our identity in the Kingdom of God?

- **We are God's kids!**
- **We are his dearly loved sons and daughters**

Yeah, but:

I have this one issue...

I have this broken relationship...

I have the habitual sin...

I have this perpetual doubt...

I have this anger issue...

I have this pain in my family...

Last Thought:

Mark 5:34

Home Church Questions

HANGOUT [Warming Up to the Topic – in one Large Group]

1. Review Sunday's message. Talk about something that stood out to you as an encouragement, challenge, disagreement, or question. (Take your time with this – there's lots to cover!)
2. Talk about the ways your family influenced your faith both positively and negatively.

HEAR [Listening to God through Scripture – in Discussion Groups]

3. Read **Mark 5:21-43**.
 - a. What verse or idea stands out to you?
 - b. What is Jesus's response to hearing that Jairus's little daughter is dying? In what ways you have seen Jesus come alongside you when you ask him to?
 - c. Why did the woman who was suffering for twelve years believe that touching Jesus would heal her?
 - d. In verse 37, Jesus allows only Peter, James and John (his huddle) to come with him. What type of ministry can you and your huddle engage in that wouldn't be appropriate for a larger group?

HUDDLE [Making It Personal and Praying Together – in Huddles]

4. Use your regular huddle questions. Also pray for your Study Buddies, and for yourselves, that you might continue grow in your understanding of and ability to communicate the gospel.

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Quotes

I think if Jesus had one shot at fixing us, He'd tell us how much He loves us. Jesus loves us right now, just as we are. He isn't standing aloof, yelling at us to climb out of our pits and clean ourselves up so we can be worthy of Him. He is wading waist-deep into the muck of life, weeping with the broken, rescuing the lost, and healing the sick.
~ Judah Smith

It's interesting when you read the life of Christ how much of his time he spent healing the sick. There must have been a reason for that - he was modelling for us what it is we are intended to do by following his path.
~ F. Collins

Grace comes free of charge to people who do not deserve it and I am one of those people... Now I am trying in my own small way to pipe the tune of grace. I do so because I know, more surely than I know anything, that any pang of healing or forgiveness or goodness I have ever felt comes solely from the grace of God.
~ Philip Yancey

Our task as image-bearing, God-loving, Christ-shaped, Spirit-filled Christians, following Christ and shaping our world, is to announce redemption to a world that has discovered its fallenness, to announce healing to a world that has discovered its brokenness, to proclaim love and trust to a world that knows only exploitation, fear and suspicion...
~ N. T. Wright

The way you help heal the world is you start with your own family.
~ Mother Teresa