Luke 8:40-56 | CG Notes

Bible Study

A. Explore

Review Luke 8:40-56

- Who do you identify with most in the story? (Jairus, the woman, the disciples, the crowd?)
- What are the similarities between Jairus and the woman? The differences? How might these things be significant?
- Why did the law of Moses makes some ceremonially unclean and thus ostracized?
- How does this passage help you understand Jesus' response to our requests?
- Scripture teaches that the righteous person is not only saved by faith but "lives by faith" (Hab. 2:4, Rom. 1:17, Heb. 10:35-39). What does it mean to "live by faith"?
- How is the raising of Jairus' daughter a hint of things to come?

B. Apply

| • | Think of a time of desperation in your life. How did God use that to deepen your faith in Jesus? |
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| • | Are there areas in your life in which God seems to be asking you to wait? How does Jairus' story help you to trust Jesus in the waiting? |
| • | Have there been times in your life that Jesus was working more than you knew at the time? What did you want him to do? What did he actually do? |
| • | Is it possible at times that what we think is our greatest need is not our greatest need? How might this realization change the way you pray in times of need? |
| • | Have you ever felt like Jesus was ignoring your requests while bringing rescue to others? How might this story change your perspective? |
| • | What would deeper faith look like for you? |