



DGM Message Summary: The Small Things

Takeaway:

There's no detail too small for God. In fact, God only cares about small things because everything is small compared to Him.

Scriptural References:

- Mark 5:21-23
 - The ruler of the synagogue is equivalent to the mayor of the city.
 - Jairus laid it all on the line and begged Jesus while everyone was watching.
- Mark 5:35-37
 - The report came to Jairus that his daughter was dead.
 - Jairus became upset; despite his choice to follow Jesus his daughter died, because Jesus stopped to tend to the bleeding woman.
 - Jairus had a choice: to walk away from Jesus because things weren't going as planned or let the situation become a training ground for greater.
 - This passage was so powerful that Jesus had to leave nine of His disciples behind.
- Mark 5:38-39
 - Jesus commanded that the people stop the commotion and calm down because He had it all under control.
- Mark 5:40-41
 - The bystanders laughed at Jesus, so He put them all out (with the exception of the mother and father).
 - While Jairus' daughter was still dead, He pulled her up.
- Mark 5:42
 - The girl finally got up and walked.
- Mark 5:43
 - Jesus commanded that the girl be given something to eat.

Key Points:

- God wants us to ask Him for what we want, but how He does it is completely up to Him.
- How we respond between the point when we ask and the point when we receive ultimately determines the outcome (or if we receive anything at all).
- Sometimes, God intentionally moves a little slower than we want because He has something greater in store.
- We will all have moments where we are disappointed with God, but as long as we see in part, we have to trust the one who sees the whole.
- In those moments when it doesn't work out as planned, that's when faith kicks in. Can you keep walking with Jesus in spite of?
- Jesus sees situations differently than we do. We see the temporary; He sees the long-term.
 - Our situations sometimes appear to get worse before they get better; that's the enemy's way of testing our faith.
- Oftentimes, people continue to hurt us because we care too much about what people think of us.
 - To solve the problem, we have to remove the primary contributors or qualify the critics.
- Is your faith strong enough to take others by the hand even when they're down?
 - It takes faith to continue believing even if your prayers aren't being answered.
- If you want results, you must stop speaking to God *about* your problems and begin addressing your problems directly.
- Real faith speaks things that are not as though they were.
- When you bring your problems to Jesus, there will be a journey before you walk again.
- Sometimes, Jesus does things just for us (and not for others) to know.