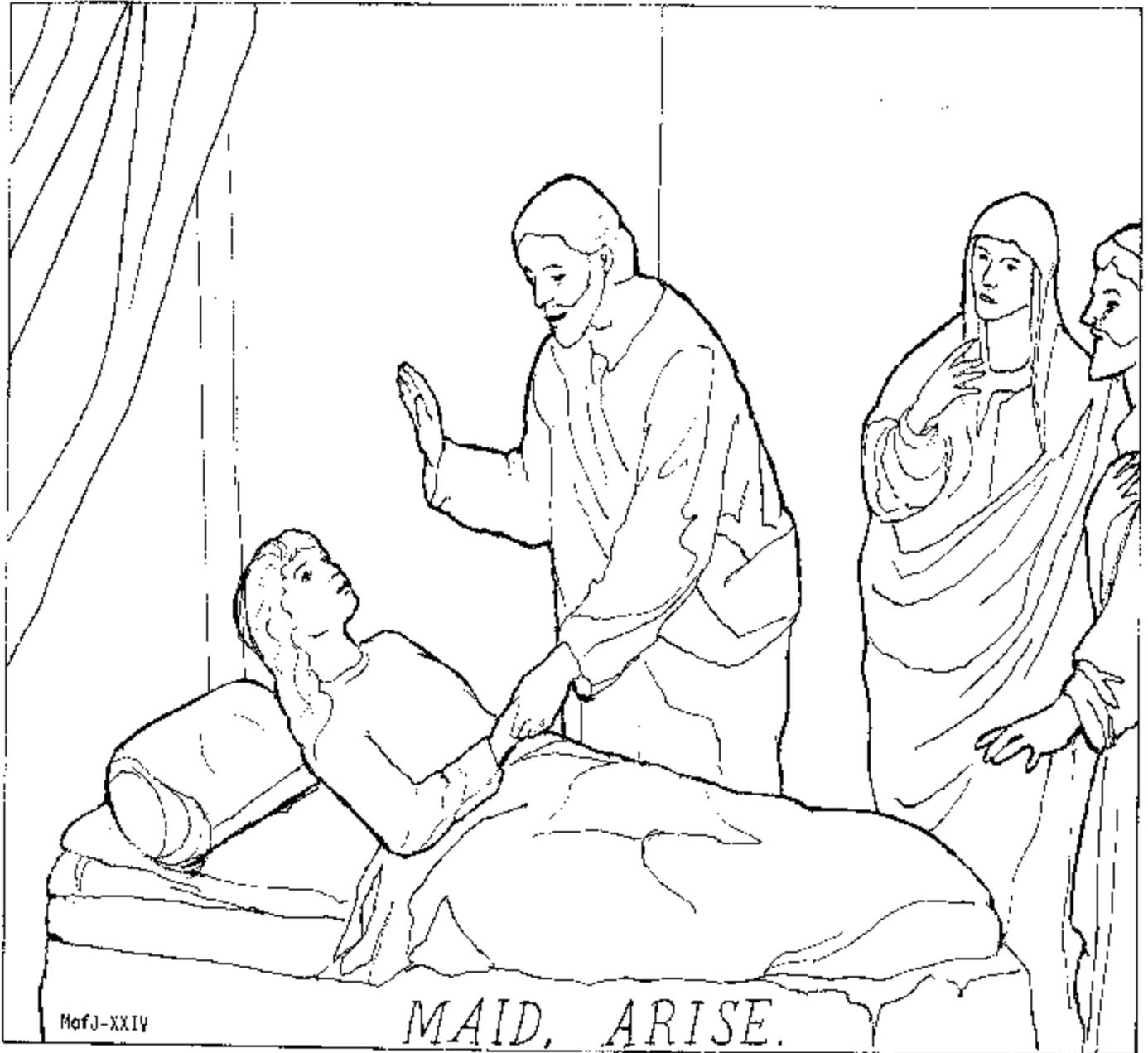


Jesus Raises the Daughter of Jairus

Matthew 9:18-26; Mark 5:21-43; Luke 8:40-56



The Story

One day, a man named Jairus came to Jesus for help. His daughter, who was 12 years old, was very sick. She was his only child. Jairus begged Jesus to come to his house and heal her so she would not die. He believed that Jesus could heal her, even though she was dying.

Jesus felt sorry for Jairus and went with him. While they were on the way, a messenger came and told Jairus that his daughter had died. Jairus thought it was too late for Jesus to help. But Jesus said to Jairus, "Don't be afraid. Just believe and she will be made well."

When they came to the house, it was already filled with people who were crying. Jesus told

them not to cry because the little girl was just sleeping. Jesus used the word "sleep" for death because, for His children, dying is like going to sleep and waking up in heaven. The people laughed at Jesus because they knew that the girl was dead.

Jesus told everyone to go outside. Then He took the father and mother and three disciples into the room where the little girl lay dead.

Jesus took the girl by the hand and said to her, "Little girl, get up!" As soon as Jesus said this, the girl got up and walked. She was alive and completely well! How happy her parents must have been! Jesus showed that He had power, even over death.

Activity - Make a picture of yourself in this box. Show how you feel about the love of Jesus.

Why do children of God have happy hearts and happy faces?

Where will Jesus take His children when they die?

Why will heaven always be a happy place for us?

How can you show Jesus that you are glad that He has saved you so that you can go to heaven?



A Song to Sing

*"Jesus Loves Children" (A Child's Garden of Song)
Sung to the tune of "Rock-a-bye Baby"*

When I am playing, Jesus takes care,
When I am sleeping, Jesus is there,
And when I die, my Jesus will come,
And safe in His arms He'll carry me home.