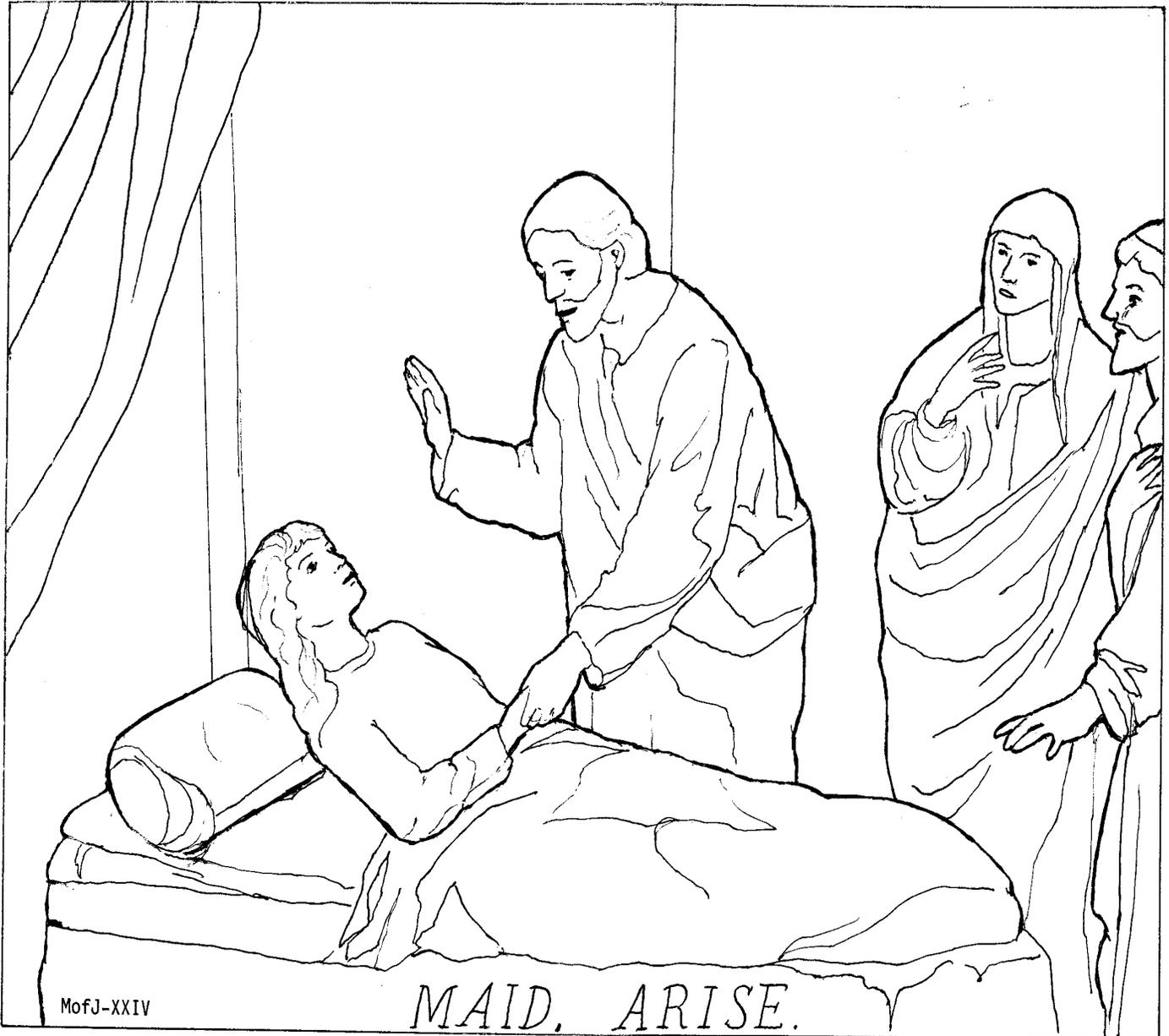


Jesus Raises the Daughter of Jairus

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



The Story

Jesus had just returned to the city of Capernaum. Many people had gathered to see Him. Then a man named Jairus who was the leader of the church came and fell at Jesus' feet. Jairus begged Jesus to come to his house. His twelve-year-old daughter was dying. She was his only child. Jairus believed that if Jesus would just come and touch his daughter, she would be healed.

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. He said not to bother Jesus because it was too late to heal the girl. But Jesus said, "Don't be afraid. Just believe and she will be made well."

When they arrived at the house, they found that it was already full of people. Everyone

was crying. Jesus said, "Stop crying. She is not dead; she is asleep." Jesus often spoke of death as being like sleep because for the believer, dying is like going to sleep and waking up in heaven. The people made fun of Jesus because they knew that she had died.

Then Jesus told everyone to go outside. He took the girl's parents and Peter, James, and John into the room with Him. Jesus took the girl by the hand and said to her, "Little girl, get up!" As soon as He said this, the girl got up. She was alive and completely healed. Jesus told her parents to give her something to eat.

How happy the girl's parents must have been! They were amazed that Jesus had power even over death.

Jesus made Jairus' daughter alive. Jesus will take all believers to heaven to live forever.

Recalling the Story - Put the story facts in order by putting the correct number in each blank.

1. ____ A messenger told Jairus that his daughter had died.
2. ____ Jesus took the parents and three disciples into the room.
3. ____ Jairus asked Jesus to come and heal his daughter.
4. ____ Jesus said, "Little girl, get up."
5. ____ The girl got up and walked.
6. ____ The daughter of Jairus was very sick.
7. ____ Jesus went to the house of Jairus.

Something to Think About

1. How do you feel when someone you love is sick?
2. Who can help us when we are sick?
3. Why did the messenger think it was too late for Jesus to help?
4. Why was Jesus able to make the little girl alive again?
5. Why can we say that death is like sleeping?
6. Why don't we have to be afraid of dying?

Talking With God - Write a prayer that you can use when you are sick.

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Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord His children sever;
Unto them His grace He showeth,
And their sorrows all He knoweth.

Though He giveth or He taketh,
God His children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy.

Talk about these words:

sever -

grace -

sorrows -

Memory Passage

John 11:25-26 - Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

Prayer

Dear Lord Jesus,

We are glad that we can come to You whenever we are sick or have any kind of problem. You have the power to help us and You will always take care of us because we are Your children. You know what is best for us. Thank You for dying on the cross for our sins. Now we don't have to be afraid of dying because You will take us to heaven to be with You. Help us to trust You always. Amen.