**SIT BY AND LET’ER DIE**

**Mark 5:22-23, 35-43**

 **22And, behold, there cometh one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name; and when he saw him, he fell at his feet,** [**23**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-5-23/)**And besought him greatly, saying, My little daughter lieth at the point of death: *I pray thee*, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live.**

[**35**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-5-35/)**While he yet spake, there came from the ruler of the synagogue's *house certain* which said, Thy daughter is dead: why troublest thou the Master any further?** [**36**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-5-36/)**As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, he saith unto the ruler of the synagogue, Be not afraid, only believe.**

[**37**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-5-37/)**And he suffered no man to follow him, save Peter, and James, and John the brother of James.** [**38**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-5-38/)**And he cometh to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and seeth the tumult, and them that wept and wailed greatly.** [**39**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-5-39/)**And when he was come in, he saith unto them, Why make ye this ado, and weep? the damsel is not dead, but sleepeth.**

[**40**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-5-40/)**And they laughed him to scorn. But when he had put them all out, he taketh the father and the mother of the damsel, and them that were with him, and entereth in where the damsel was lying.** [**41**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-5-41/)**And he took the damsel by the hand, and said unto her, Talitha cumi; which is, being interpreted, Damsel, I say unto thee, arise.** [**42**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-5-42/)**And straightway the damsel arose, and walked; for she was *of the age* of twelve years. And they were astonished with a great astonishment.** [**43**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-5-43/)**And he charged them straitly that no man should know it; and commanded that something should be given her to eat.**

**INTRO:**

**1. We See the Problem!**

 **a. The Dad is Distressed**

 **b. The Daughter is Dying**

**2. We See the Pursuit**

 **a. Instead of sitting by, he sought for Help.**

 **b. Instead of sitting by, he sought for Hope.**

 **c. Instead of sitting by, he sought for Healing.**

**3. We See the Praise**

 **a. Though distressed, he’s not afraid to praise Jesus.**

 **b. Though distressed, he’s not ashamed to praise Jesus.**

**4. We See the Payoff**

 **a. His willingness to Track Jesus paid off!**

 **b. His willingness to Trust Jesus paid off!**

**\*\*Most people would have just sit by and let’er die, but not Jairus.**

**\*\*Before the daughter could stand to her feet, the dad had to get on his knees!**

**\*\*There’s been too many Christians, Churches, and Children that we’ve just let die all because we just sat by and did not offer prayer or offer praise to the Lord!**

**\*\*I want to encourage you today to Don’t Sit By and Let’er Die!**

**\*\*Here’s what I want to apply that concept to . . .**

**I. DON’T SIT BY AND LET YOUR CHILDREN DIE**

**Mark 5:23**  **And besought him greatly, saying, My little daughter lieth at the point of death: *I pray thee*, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live.**

 **A. Some Worry About Their Kids Satisfaction, But Not Their Soul**

 **1. We worry about their Entertainment.**

 **2. We worry about their Enjoyment.**

 **3. We worry about their Engagement.**

 **B. Some Worry About Their Kids Status, But Not Their Sinfulness**

 **1. We’re more concerned about our kids Position in life.**

 **2. We’re more concerned about our kids Presentation in life.**

 **3. We’re more concerned about our kids Possessions in life.**

 **C. Some Worry About Their Kids Sports, But Not Their Salvation**

 **1. Being the First in Sports won’t matter in Hell!**

 **2. Being the Finest in Sports won’t matter in Hell!**

**\*\*Please don’t sit by and let your kids and grandkids die and go to hell!**

**\*\*Go to Jesus on their behalf, worship Him, and ask him to come to your house and save your kids and grandkids!**

**\*\*We can’t sit by and just let our children die!**

**II. DON’T SIT BY AND LET YOUR CHARITY DIE**

**Matthew 24:12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.**

**Illustration: Here is some statements I want to make, and I want to see if you agree with me.**

**1. We’re living in the last days.**

**2. Sin is getting worse and worse and abounding.**

**3. When we sin, it drives us further away from God.**

**4. God is love.**

**5. Since God is love and the more sin abounds, the further we get from God (who is love) and the more love grows cold.**

**\*\*Sin is abounding and God is withdrawing, and the love is getting colder and colder. It’s even affecting Christians and churches! I’m concerned that . . .**

 **A. Our Love for the Savior is Dying**

 **1. Is Jesus missing in our Thoughts?**

 **2. Is Jesus missing in our Trust?**

 **3. Is Jesus missing in our Testimony?** [**Revelation 2:4**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Revelation-2-4/)**- Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.**

[**Mark 12:30**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Mark-12-30/)**- And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment.**

**\*\*Don’t sit there and let your love for the Savior die!**

 **B. Our Love for the Service is Dying**

 **1. Are we Praying like we used to Pray?**

 **2. Are we Praising like we used to Praise?**

 **3. Are we Participating like we used to Participate?**

**\*\*Don’t sit there and let your love for the Service die!**

 **C. Our Love for the Scripture is Dying**

 **1. Are we Reading it like we should?**

 **2. Are we Remembering it like we should?**

 **3. Are we Repeating it like we should?**

**\*\*Why do we not read it, remember it, or repeat it? Because we’re too often occupied with other things and sin which causes our love for it to get cold.**

**\*\*Sin and Selfishness has taken away our love for the Savior, for the Service, and for the Scripture.**

**\*\*We can’t sit by and let our Charity die.**

**III. DON’T SIT BY AND LET YOUR CHURCH DIE**

**\*\*We sit by and let our church die . . .**

 **A. When We’re Not Faithful**

**\*\*When we chose to stay home . . .**

 **1. We choose to let part of the Sunday School Die**

 **2. We choose to let part of the Sunday Singing Die**

 **3. We choose to let part of the Sunday Services Die**

 **B. When We’re Not Fruitful**

 **1. Be Fruitful and Help the Church to be Godly**

 **a. Walk with the Savior and be Holy**

 **b. Worship with the Saints and be Humble**

 **c. Work with the Saved and be Helpful**

 **2. Be Fruitful and Help the Church to be Growing**

 **a. Our Worship Helps the Church to Grow**

 **b. Our Witness Helps the Church to Grow**

 **c. Our Willingness Helps the Church to Grow**

**\*\*Be willing to be Sacrificial and Spirit-filled**

 **3. Be Fruitful and Help the Church to be Great**

**\*\*The church can only be great through . . .**

 **a. Our Members’ Prayers**

 **b. Our Members’ Praising**

 **c. Our Messiah’s Power**

**\*\*We can’t sit by and let our Church die!**

**CLOSE**

**\*\*In our text, we see that there we’re several just sitting by while the girl died; however, there was one who decided to go get Jesus, worship Jesus, and believe Jesus could raise her from the dead.**

**\*\*What is dying right before your eyes? What are you going to do about it?**

**\*\*Are you really just going to sit by and watch your children and grandchildren die and go to hell without ever going to the altar and calling on God?**

**\*\*Are you really going to sit by and let your charity and love die for the Savior, the Services, and the Scriptures?**

**\*\*Are you really going to sit by and let your church die without ever calling on God and asking Him to send new life and revival and resurrection to the church?**

**\*\*If you don’t care, then who will?**