Jesus Heals a Woman and a Young Girl

Bible story puppet script

Characters:
JAIRUS, a synagogue leader
WOMAN

How to Say It
Jairus (*Jye*-rus)

Scene 1

JAIRUS: Hello! My name is Jairus. I was one of the synagogue leaders at the time of Jesus. The synagogue was a place where people gathered to worship. The synagogue leaders helped to schedule meetings and take care of the building. Many of the leaders of that day didn't like Jesus. But I had seen and heard about Jesus. I had a very serious problem, and I believed Jesus could help me.

Even though I was a leader, I went right up to Jesus and bowed down at His feet. That probably surprised some of the people who knew who I was, but I didn't care. I told Jesus that my 12-year-old daughter was dying. I begged Jesus to come to my house and put His hands on her so she could be healed and live.

And do you know what happened? It might surprise you, but Jesus went with me!

(pause CD)

Scene 2

WOMAN: Hi. I am the woman who made my way through the crowd to get to Jesus. I had been sick and had suffered for 12 years. I had spent all my money and seen many doctors, but instead of getting better, I was getting worse. I had heard how Jesus had helped others, so when I learned that Jesus was nearby, I went up behind Him in the crowd. I thought, *If I just touch His clothes, I will be healed.* So that's what I did. I reached out and touched the hem of Jesus' robe. And right then something surprising happened—immediately I knew I was well! My body felt strong again.

But then something else surprising happened. Jesus stopped walking. He turned around and said to the crowd, "Who touched my clothes?" I'm sure Jesus knew the answer, but He asked the question anyway.

Some of Jesus' disciples said, "Jesus, look at the crowd around you. Everyone is pushing and shoving. How can you ask, 'Who touched me?'"

But Jesus kept looking around. I knew I had to admit what I had done. I went forward and bowed down at Jesus' feet. I was afraid, but I told Jesus the whole truth. I thought maybe Jesus would be mad at me. But He wasn't. In fact, Jesus said in a kind voice, "Your faith has healed you. Go and don't suffer anymore."

(pause CD)

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Scene 3

JAIRUS: Jesus was still speaking to the woman who had been healed, when some people came from my house. They told me that my daughter had already died. They said I shouldn't bother Jesus anymore. I was so sad! Now what was I going to do? I loved my daughter so much!

But Jesus heard what the people had told me. Jesus looked right at me and said, "Don't be afraid; just believe." Then He said that only three of His followers—Peter, James, and John—should come with us.

When we arrived at my house, lots of people were there. They were all crying loudly. Jesus looked at them and asked, "What's all the commotion about? The child isn't dead; she's only asleep."

Well, that surprised a lot of people! In fact, most of the people stopped crying. They started laughing at Jesus instead. They didn't think Jesus knew what He was talking about.

Then Jesus told them all to leave the house—everyone except His three disciples, the girl's mother, and me. Jesus knew what was going to happen. We went into the room where my daughter was lying. Jesus took her by the hand and said, "Little girl, I say to you, get up!" And she did! She stood right up and began to walk around. What a wonderful surprise! Even though the others hadn't believed, I believed what Jesus said. Jesus knew what He was talking about. He knew my little girl would live. Jesus knows everything!

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