

A Sick Woman and a Dead Girl



Mark 5:21-42

What is the key to living
by faith?





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MK 5:21 When Jesus had again crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake, a **large crowd** gathered around him while he was by the lake. 22 Then one of the **synagogue rulers, named Jairus**, came there. Seeing Jesus, he fell at his feet 23 and pleaded earnestly with him, "My little daughter is dying. Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live." 24 So Jesus went with him.



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A large crowd followed and pressed around him. 25
And a woman was there who had been subject to **bleeding for twelve years**. 26 She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better **she grew worse**. 27 When she **heard about Jesus**, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, 28 because she thought, "**If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed.**" 29 **Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering.**





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MK 5:30 At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who touched my clothes?"

MK 5:31 "You see the people crowding against you," his disciples answered, "and yet you can ask, 'Who touched me?'"

MK 5:32 But Jesus kept **looking around to see** who had done it. 33 Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, **trembling with fear**, told him the whole truth. 34 He said to her, "**Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering.**"



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MK 5:35 While Jesus was still speaking, some men came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue ruler. "Your daughter is dead," they said. "Why bother the teacher any more?"

MK 5:36 Ignoring what they said, Jesus told the synagogue ruler, "**Don't be afraid; just believe.**"



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MK 5:37 He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James. 38 When they came to the home of the synagogue ruler, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. 39 He went in and said to them, "Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is **not dead but asleep.**" 40 But they **laughed at him.**



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After he put them all out, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was. 41 He took her by the hand and **said to her**, "*Talitha koum!*" (which means, "Little girl, I say to you, get up!"). 42 Immediately the girl **stood up and walked around** (she was **twelve years old**). At this they were completely astonished. 43 He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and told them to give her **something to eat**.





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Living by Faith

1. Faith is believing in a Person
2. Jesus did not negate the Leviticus laws but reinterpretes them
3. Jesus introduces a new way of living by faith



Parallelism in both stories

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1. Faith is believing in a Person

- Both a sick woman and a synagogue leader can have faith
- Faith is active, you have to believe
"Don't be afraid; just believe." (v.36)
- Faith is believing in a person
your faith [in Jesus] has healed you. (v.34)

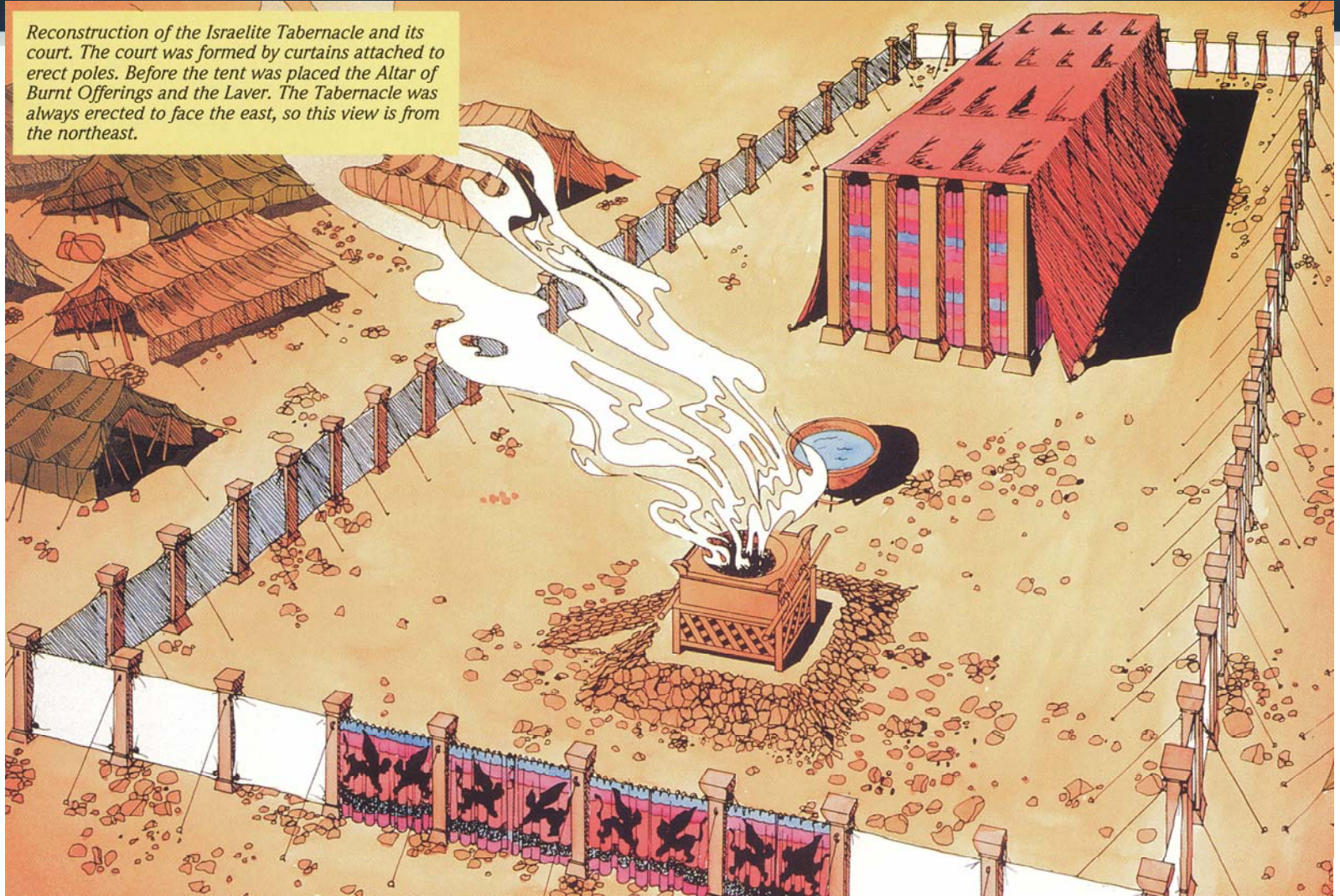


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Levitical Purity Laws

Reconstruction of the Israelite Tabernacle and its court. The court was formed by curtains attached to erect poles. Before the tent was placed the Altar of Burnt Offerings and the Laver. The Tabernacle was always erected to face the east, so this view is from the northeast.





Leviticus 12: 1-8

LEV 12:1 The LORD said to Moses, 2 "Say to the Israelites:
`A woman who becomes pregnant and gives **birth to a son**
will be ceremonially unclean for **seven days**, just as she is
unclean during her monthly period. 3 On the eighth day the
boy is to be circumcised. 4 Then the woman must wait **thirty-**
three days to be purified from her bleeding. She must not
touch **anything sacred or go to the sanctuary** until the days
of her purification are over. 5 If she gives birth to a **daughter**,
for two weeks the woman will be unclean, as during her
period. Then she must wait **sixty-six days** to be purified from
her bleeding.



Leviticus 12: 1-8

LEV 12:6 " `When the days of her purification for a son or daughter are over, she is to bring to the priest at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting a year-old lamb for a burnt offering and a young pigeon or a dove for a sin offering. 7 He shall offer them before the LORD to make atonement for her, and then she will be ceremonially clean from her flow of blood.

" `These are the regulations for the woman who gives birth to a boy or a girl. 8 If she cannot afford a lamb, she is to bring two doves or two young pigeons, one for a burnt offering and the other for a sin offering. In this way the priest will make **atonement for her**, and she **will be clean.**' "



Leviticus 15:19

LEV 15:19 " `When a woman has her regular flow of blood, the impurity of her monthly period will last **seven** days, and anyone who **touches her** will be unclean till evening.



Leviticus 15:25-27

LEV 15:25 " `When a woman has a discharge of blood for many days at a time other than her monthly period or has a discharge that continues beyond her period, she will be unclean as long as she has the discharge, just as in the days of her period. 26 Any **bed** she lies on while her discharge continues will be unclean, as is her bed during her monthly period, and anything she **sits on** will be unclean, as during her period. 27 Whoever **touches** them will be unclean; he must wash his clothes and bathe with water, and he will be **unclean till evening**.

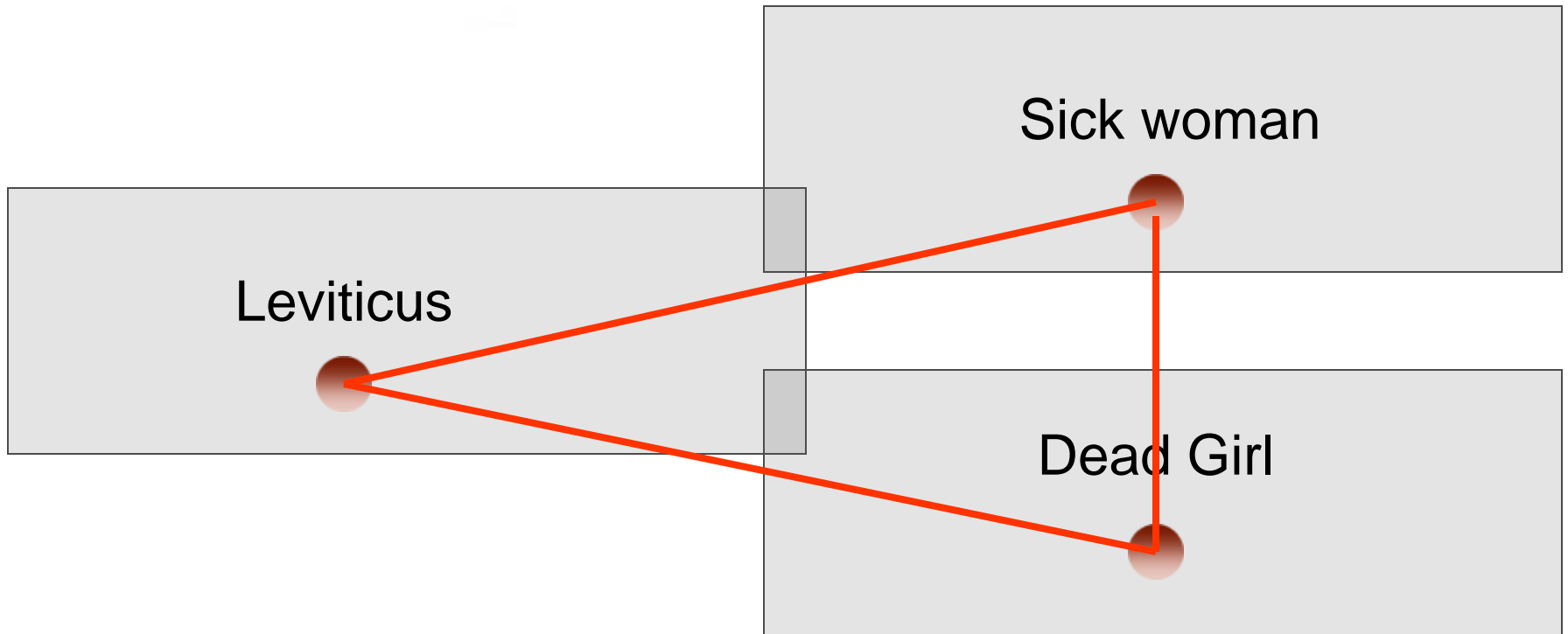


2. Jesus did not negate the Levitical laws but reinterpretes them

- Jesus declares woman 'clean' (initiate woman liberation)
- Jesus touched the dead body of Jairus' daughter.
- Jesus reveals that the spirit of the Law is more important than the practice of the Law.



3. Jesus introduces a new way of living by faith





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If Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath, then he is
Lord of the purity laws as well



3. Jesus introduces a new way of living by faith

- The Jews believe that obeying the laws will please God
- God wants a people who are more than just follow rules
- God wants a compassionate people who loves
- Jesus is the example and reveals what God wants



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Christians are not bound by the
Levitical laws but its fundamental
principles

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