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"Divine power + divine compassion = everything you need." ~Paul Tripp



- 1) How has different understandings of time caused conflict in your life?
- 2) Read Matthew 9:18-26. What's surprising, confusing or frustrating about this passage?
- 3) Why do you think Matthew cuts out the longer version of this story in Mark 5:21-43? What is highlighted about Jesus by making this shorter?
- 4) How is Jairus wrestling with God's timing? How is the woman struggling with God's timing? How are you struggling with God's timing?
- 5) What is Jesus concerned about while He makes Jairus' wait? What is God teaching you to do while you wait? How does Jesus' tenderness help you wait?
- 6) Reflect on this quote from the sermon. Jairus, his nameless daughter and this unnamed woman have been used to encourage and comfort countless believers through their hardship. Many will be in heaven because of the glimpse of Jesus' tenderness in their particular trial. That's purpose. How have you gotten a glimpse of God's eternal purpose in making you wait?

"God makes no mistakes. He does not fall asleep. He does not forget His loved children. He asks us every day, no matter what circumstances or adversities we find ourselves in to trust and obey. He has so arranged things that we may not often fathom (understand) his Sovereign purposes, but now and then we get a glimpse."

~Elisabeth Elliot

- 7) Take time to pray that God's mercy in Jesus would teach us to wait by faith in both our immediate crises and our ongoing struggles.