Home Group Discussion Guide for Not Dead But Asleep; Mark 5:21-43

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The following questions are designed to help groups explore the message above by challenging participants to consider how God is wanting them to apply it to their lives.

The questions are a **guide** to help lead discussion.

Please don't feel that all questions need to be asked, instead respond to the needs of your group.

If you have new people in your group, take the opportunity to introduce each other and clarify any expectations that are present in your group (such as confidentiality).

GETTING STARTED

- 1. Have you ever witnessed/been involved in a situation where someone decided it was finished and over, but then the situation changed? What happened?
- 2. What was the main challenge or idea that stood out to you from the message on Sunday?

REFLECTING ON THE MESSAGE

Key Scriptures: Mark 5:21-24 & 35-43; Isaiah 51:17-18; Isaiah 52:1-2; Isaiah 53:1-6

(Read Mark 5:21-25)

- 1. What is Mark wanting us to notice about the way Jairus approaches Jesus?
 - a. In what ways does this reflect/ not reflect the way you approach Jesus?

(Read Mark 5:35-36)

- 2. The people from Jairus' house see Jesus only as a teacher; not a healer. They tell Jairus to stop bothering Jesus.
 - a. How does Jesus respond to Jairus in that moment?
 - b. Who do you relate to in this moment? Why? (i.e. The people from Jairus' house declaring that the story is done? Jairus caught in the middle, wanting to believe but unsure? Someone else?)

(Read Mark 5:37-43)

- 3. What do you notice about the way this passage ends?
 - a. In what ways does this give hope for us today?
 - b. The Isaiah passages listed above can also be explored for the remez

RESPONDING TO THE MESSAGE

- 1. What is asleep in your life that you need Jesus to wake up?
 - a. What could this look like?
 - b. What does it look like to **believe** (take action) for this?
- 2. What is the **one thing** God is encouraging you to take from this message?

OPPORTUNITY FOR PRAYER

Our Home Groups are the primary place for pastoral care to occur within the Church. We would encourage you to take the opportunity to pray for each other in this space.

