



A Determined Dad


Luke 8:40-56

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 Luke 8:40–42 (NIV) “Now when Jesus returned, a crowd welcomed Him, for they were all expecting Him. ⁴¹ Then a man named Jairus, a ruler of the synagogue, came and fell at Jesus’ feet, pleading with Him to come to his house ⁴² because his only daughter, a girl of about twelve, was dying. As Jesus was on His way, the crowds almost crushed Him.”


 Luke 4:31–36 (NIV) “...He went down to Capernaum, a town in Galilee, and on the Sabbath began to teach the people. ³² They were amazed at His teaching, because His message had authority. ³³ In the synagogue there was a man possessed by a demon, an evil spirit. He cried out at the top of his voice, ³⁴ “Ha! What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!” ³⁵ “Be quiet!” Jesus said sternly. “Come out of him!” Then the demon threw the man down before them all and came out without injuring him. ³⁶ All the people were amazed and said to each other, “What is this teaching? With authority and power He gives orders to evil spirits and they come out!”


A Determined Dad **BELIEVES** Jesus regardless of what others **SAY**.

 Luke 8:49 (NIV) “While Jesus was still speaking, someone came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue ruler. “Your daughter is dead,” he said. “Don’t bother the teacher any more.”

Three Things to Never Forget:

1. It’s **never too late** for Jesus.
2. We are **never a bother** to Jesus.
3. Death is **never the end** with Jesus.

 Luke 8:50 (NIV) “Hearing this, Jesus said to Jairus, “Don’t be afraid; just believe, and she will be healed.”

 Luke 8:51–56 (NIV) “When He arrived at the house of Jairus, He did not let anyone go in with Him except Peter, John and James, and the child’s father and mother. ⁵² Meanwhile, all the people were wailing and mourning for her. “Stop wailing,” Jesus said. “She is not dead but asleep.” ⁵³ They laughed at Him, knowing that she was dead. ⁵⁴ But He took her by the hand and said, “My child, get up!” ⁵⁵ Her spirit returned, and at once she stood up. Then Jesus told them to give her something to eat. ⁵⁶ Her parents were astonished, but He ordered them not to tell anyone what had happened.”

Digging Deeper: One of the best gifts that a parent can give their child is a legacy of faith—to be a parent that keeps on believing in Jesus no matter what. Do your children have that? Do they see you trusting in Jesus? Is there evidence of faith in your actions? What impossible thing do you need to trust Jesus for today?

