“ONLY BELIEVE”

Luke 8:40–56

Key Verse: 8:50

1. Describe the scene (40). Who does Luke highlight, what does he do, and why would this be unusual for a man like him (41)? What is his problem (42a)?
2. How does Luke describe Jesus’ trip to Jairus’ house (42b)? Who interrupted, and what problem had she been living with (43)? What does she do, and to what effect (44)? Describe the dialogue between Jesus and Peter (45–46). Why does Jesus insist on stopping to meet this woman?
3. What does the woman do, and why is this important (47)? How does Jesus bless her, and what can we learn here (48)?
4. At that moment, what bad news comes from Jairus’ house (49)? How is this advice reasonable? What does Jesus tell Jairus instead (50)? What does it mean to “only believe,” and how can we do this practically?
5. What does Jesus do, and why (51)? What does he tell the mourners, how do they respond, and what does this show us (52–53)? What does Jesus do and say (54)? What miracle happens (55a)? How else does Jesus care for the child (55b)? How do things conclude (56)? What lessons can we learn here?