

**A Fruitful Faith**  
**Luke 8:40-56**  
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**1. Humble Attitude towards Jesus    verse 40-42; 47**

Jairus and the woman demonstrated signs of a fruitful faith through having a humble attitude towards Jesus.

Humility: Setting aside our own interests and only focusing on God's will for our lives.

Having a humble attitude towards Jesus is a key step in having a fruitful faith.

**2) Overcoming Fear with Belief    verse 45-48; 49-50**

Although Jairus and the woman were struggling with fear, they chose to overcome their fear with the belief they had in Jesus.

Fear will try to cripple the potential of having a fruitful faith, but choosing to believe in Jesus' true identity will cause each person to overcome it.

\*\*\*\*\**CAUTION!*\*\*\*\*\*

Fear **DISTRACTS & HINDERS** us from our purpose; to love God and love others.

Fear **DIMINISHES** our witness.    The fearful heart cannot translate into a faithful life

Fear **DECLARES** you powerless as it paralyzes you to act in faith.    1 Peter 5:8-11 reminds us that in Jesus, we are not powerless.

Fear **DENIES** God's presence and work.    Fear convinces us that we stand alone and it leaves us with the sense of instability and uncertainty.    Fear convinces us we are beyond help, but faith humbly turns to God for help.

**3) Turning Belief into Action 43-44; 51-56**

Both the woman and Jairus experienced a fruitful faith as they ignored the smothering crowd and chose to turn their beliefs in Jesus into actions of obedience.

Submitting to Jesus through actions of obedience will allow a disciple to experience a fruitful faith.

**Main Idea:**

A person with a **H**umble attitude, who **O**vercomes fear with their belief in Jesus, and knows how to **T**urn it into actions of obedience will experience a fruitful faith.

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**Questions:**

1. When observing your life, what kind of discipling do you need to better equip your faith in maturing into a H.O.T. Faith?
2. How has fear hindered you? What steps did you take so that fear no longer controls you? (Share this with someone, as the answers to these questions could be helpful in discipling someone who may struggle with what you use to struggle with)
3. In what areas of your life do you need to grow so that your faith and your deeds go hand in hand (James 2:14-19)?