

# Faith Over Fear

Part two of the series, "Hope Alive: In Us and For Others"

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"While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. 'Your daughter is dead,' they said. 'Why bother the teacher anymore?'<sup>36</sup>Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, '**Don't be afraid; just believe.**'<sup>37</sup>He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James.<sup>38</sup>When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly.<sup>39</sup>He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep.'<sup>40</sup>But they laughed at him. **After he put them all out**, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was.<sup>41</sup>He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha koum!' (which means 'Little girl, I say to you, get up!').<sup>42</sup>Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished.<sup>43</sup>He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and told them to give her something to eat." (Mark 5:35-43 NIV)

## Cultivate a climate of FAITH and separate from and isolate the climate of FEAR.

"And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him." (Hebrews 11:6 NIV)

"For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline." (2 Timothy 1:7 NIV)

## Remain focused on God and His WORD.

"...faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ." (Romans 10:17 NIV)

"Whoever **dwells** in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.<sup>2</sup>I will say of the Lord, 'He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.'<sup>3</sup>Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence.<sup>4</sup>He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.<sup>5</sup>You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day,<sup>6</sup>nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.<sup>7</sup>A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you." (Psalm 91:1-7 NIV)

## OBEY the call of God.

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." (Matthew 28:19-20 NIV)