

Jesus Did What???

Extraordinary Lessons from No Ordinary Life

Jesus Ran Late?

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1 John 2:6 (TLB)

Anyone who says he is a Christian should live as Christ did.

On at least two separate occasions our LORD was late in arriving at His destination – resulted in two deaths.

JAIRUS' DAUGHTER

Mark 5:21-24 (TLB)

21 When Jesus had gone across by boat to the other side of the lake, a vast crowd gathered around him on the shore. 22 The leader of the local synagogue, whose name was Jairus, came and fell down before him, 23 pleading with him to heal his little daughter. "She is at the point of death," he said in desperation. "Please come and place your hands on her and make her live." 24 Jesus went with him, and the crowd thronged behind.

Mark 5:35-36 (TLB)

35 While he was still talking to her, messengers arrived from Jairus' home with the news that it was too late—his daughter was dead and there was no point in Jesus' coming now. 36 But Jesus ignored their comments and said to Jairus, "Don't be afraid. Just trust me."

THE RAISING OF LAZARUS

John 11:5-7 (NLT)

5 So although Jesus loved Martha, Mary, and Lazarus,

6 he stayed where he was for the next two days.

7 Finally, he said to his disciples, "Let's go back to Judea."

John 11:20-23 (NLT)

20 When Martha got word that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him. But Mary stayed in the

house. 21 Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if only you had been here, my brother would not have died.

22 But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask." 23 Jesus told her, "Your brother will rise again."

FOUR REASONS FOR GOD'S DELAYS

1. BECAUSE OF GOD'S _____

2 Corinthians 12:9a (NKJV)

9 And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness."

Learn to interpret circumstances by the love of Christ and not Christ's love by circumstances.
Dr. James Montgomery Boice

2. BECAUSE OF GOD'S _____

Romans 2:4 (NKJV)

4 Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?

God's goodness is equal to his greatness.
Richard Baxter

3. BECAUSE OF GOD'S _____ BLESSING

Hebrews 12:16 (MSG)

16 Watch out for the Esau syndrome: trading away God's lifelong gift in order to satisfy a short-term appetite.

4. BECAUSE OF GOD'S-TIMING

Ecclesiastes 8:6 (TEV)

6 There is a right time and a right way to do everything, but we know so little!

We ask for silver and God sometimes sends his denials wrapped in gold.
Anon.

If God had granted all the silly prayers I've made in my life, where would I be now?
C. S. Lewis

The great tragedy of life is not unanswered prayer but unoffered prayer.
F. B. Meyer