BOTHERING JESUS Luke 8.40-56

Hearing this, Jesus said to Jairus, "Don't be afraid; just believe, and she will be healed." v50

Three truths to remember during the low times:

1. Jesus WALKS WITH US.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Psalm 23.4

- 2. Exercising your **FAITH** leads to **WHOLENESS**.
- 3. Things will eventually TURN OUT OKAY.

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. Romans 8.28

However, there is a tendency to turn away from Jesus during these times. What keeps us from "bothering Jesus"?

- 1. Our PRIDE
- 2. Our **IMPATIENCE** and **EXPECTATIONS**
- 3. Our interior **NEGATIVE NELLIES**
- 4. External **SKEPTICS** and **CYNICS**

Bother Jesus! How to welcome Jesus fully into your life:

1. Give Jesus CONTROL.

Then a man named Jairus...came and fell at Jesus' feet, pleading with him to come to his house... Luke 8.50

Are you desperate enough to give Jesus control over your life?

2. Whenever you can, create a **FAITH AMBIENCE**.

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. v51

What do you need to send out of your life that is not conducive to what Jesus wants to do for you?

3. When Jesus gives you life **NOURISH IT**.

Her spirit returned, and at once she stood up. Then Jesus told them to give her something to eat. $\,$ v55

What will you do this week to nourish your relationship with Jesus?