

June 21, 2020 Scripture: Mark 5:21-24 and Ephesians 6:1-4

Introduction: Experts say that Americans have traditionally spent more for moms than they do for dads. Annie Lowrey who is an editor for New York magazine has found out in her research for The National Retail Federation reliable statistics shows that about 64% of consumers send a card to their Dads. While about 81% send a card to their moms.

Father's Day versus Mother's Day.

It's hard to buy things for fathers or men in general. Where as in the case of moms, it is easy for kids to buy a card, flowers, a sweater or take her out for lunch.

A journal of marriage and family that was published in May 2020, by Wiley Periodicals, Inc. on behalf of National Council on Family Relations Says:

1. Children where fathers are absent at home are almost 4X more likely to be poor. 12% of children in married-couple families were living in poverty compared to 44% of children in mother-only families.
2. Children where fathers are absent at home are almost 7X more likely to commit crime.
3. Children where fathers are absent at home are more likely to drop out of school.
4. Children who don't have a father figure present in their lives are prone to have a behavioral problem.

In Mark 5:21-25, we find a father who knows his responsibility. He is now exercising his responsibility not because the law of the land requires it but because he is doing it out of love.

"Then one of the synagogue leaders, named Jairus, came, and when he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet". (Verse 22).

Conclusion: Jesus shows up in the midst of prayer and worship. If He could show himself to Jairus, He can show himself to you.