

TALITHA KOUM

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Mark 5:35-36

³⁵While Jesus was still speaking, some men came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue ruler. "Your daughter is dead," they said. "Why bother the teacher any more?" ³⁶Ignoring what they said, Jesus told the synagogue ruler, "Don't be afraid; just believe."

- Mystery isn't the absence of meaning but the presence of more meaning than we can comprehend.

Mark 5:37-42

³⁷He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the home of the synagogue ruler, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. ³⁹He went in and said to them, "Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep." ⁴⁰But 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. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum!" (which means, "Little girl, I say to you, get up!"). ⁴²Immediately the girl stood up and walked around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished.

Ephesians 5:14

..."Wake up, O sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

- Wake up to our "old normal"

Wilderness is that space between what was and what will be.

Wilderness is the place where God frees us from the Egypt within us.

God wasn't just concerned about getting His people from Egypt to the promised land, He was concerned with who they would be when they got there.

- Wake up to restoration.

"Relief is momentary; it's checking out, numbing, sedating yourself. Television is relief. Eating a bag of cookies is relief. Tequila is relief. And let's be honest-relief is what we reach for because it's immediate and usually within our grasp. Most of us turn there, when what we really need is restoration." – John Eldredge

Psalms 23:1-3

¹The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. ²He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, ³he restores my soul...