



“The Narrow Road of Faith”

(“Inspirational fuel” from Matthew 7:13-14 & Mark 5:21-43)

“Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction – and many enter through it! But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.”
(Matt. 7:13-14)

If we’ve entered the narrow gate; is that ‘enough’? Do we just sit safe & secure in our salvation? Through the “*narrow gate*” we go and are now safe & sound? We may be safe & secure, but are we living a *sound Christian life*?

Our challenge: How do we stay on the *narrow road* and live consistent & sound lives that glorify Jesus?

Prayer. Worship. Serving. Giving. Reading the Word of God. All, great spiritual disciplines & *Tools* in our *Spiritual toolbox*.

I believe that there is a deeper truth imbedded within these *spiritual disciplines*: ***Our walk of faith*** may be the foundation.

I have found *my* faith-walk closely tied to the **spiritual discipline of reading & studying the Word of God**. This is *my* “go-to.”

This is *my* “sweet spot.” My “**inspirational fuel**” *I* love stories that inspire. Who better to guide & inspire *me* along the narrow road than God Himself?

It's through reading inspirational stories of other's faith, their overcoming trials, and their testimonies that inspire & motivate *me* in *my* journey on the narrow road.

We *all* need God's inspiration to stay on the narrow road of faith in times of Crises, Fear. Trauma. Sickness. Isolation. Hard times. Depression. Unfair judgement & criticism. And even Death.

(More “Inspirational fuel” for the narrow road of faith)

**1. A loving dad in a crisis of life and death
(*Mark 5:21–24*)**

May we continue come to Jesus for who He is – Lord & Savior not just some vending machine.

We need to continue to step out in faith in Jesus, even if it be dangerous & risky. So that the world may know Jesus also!

May we continue to seek Him, come to Him, and fall at His feet with such faith.

2. A Sick Woman's Faith (*Mark 5:25-34*)

Jesus is especially fond of you too!
Isa.49:16 - the Lord, “has our names engraved on the palms of His hands.”

May we have faith, that if Jesus says “No” or “not now” for healing, that we still keep our faith. And may we too, have the courage of this woman to come to Jesus and “touch His robe.”

3. A Dead Little Girl (*Mark 5:35-43*)

Don't ever take for granted our compassionate Jesus! King Jesus, alone has the power over sickness and death. Our faith can move mountains.

Final Thoughts

May the powerful true stories & testimonies from **God's inspired Word**, be the '**Inspirational Fuel**' for **our faith-walks** and help keep us on the *narrow road*.

Our personal life testimonies are *also* part of God's continuing story. They can help & inspire others on their journey on the *narrow road*.

We must remember. We must have total recall from our 'Faith I-Cloud Memory Bank' of our stories of faith. And we must tell!

The narrow gate & the narrow road. This is the true meaning of our lives! It's all about Jesus & glorifying God, on our life journey on the narrow road of faith. Amen.