

Luke 7:11-17: OUR COMPASSIONATE KING

Luke 7:11-17 (NIV)

¹¹ Soon afterward, Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went along with him. ¹² As he approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out—the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the town was with her.

¹³ When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, “Don’t cry.” ¹⁴ Then he went up and touched the bier they were carrying him on, and the bearers stood still. He said, “Young man, I say to you, get up!”

¹⁵ The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother. ¹⁶ They were all filled with awe and praised God. “A great prophet has appeared among us,” they said. “God has come to help his people.” ¹⁷ This news about Jesus spread throughout Judea and the surrounding country.



Big Truth:

1 Thessalonians 4:16-18 (NIV)

¹⁶ For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. ¹⁸ Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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Discussion Questions

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1. Share about a time when you wondered WHERE God was during those difficult days; when you wondered, "Is He UNAWARE or does He even CARE?" Did He show up during that time? Explain.
2. **Read Luke 7:11-17.** It's easy just to read this story and think, "I've heard this before." But what if this happened in OUR day? What about this story is most powerful to you?
3. **Read 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18.** How does Jesus' raising the widow's son foreshadow what will happen when Jesus returns?
4. Today's **BIG TRUTH:** Jesus has the Compassion to Care & Power to Restore. How can knowing this help you encourage others or personally trust the Lord when difficult days visit?

* Pray for one another and ask God to move in power through us & around us.