



CELL DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

30TH SEPTEMBER 2016

6 Lessons to learn from the miracle of the resurrection of Lazarus

Lesson 1: Trust in God's Timing

V 1-6, 17 Jesus tarried. "Jesus let Lazarus die and Mary/Martha grieve because the death of Lazarus will show in more ways than they knew the glory of God.

If we are at a place where Jesus seems to have tarried in answering our prayers and we cannot see how God can be glorified in it, do not judge until the resurrection as the resurrection will reveal all things.

Lesson 2: Trust in God's love

V 32-36 Jesus wept.

"It is a mystery of God sharing our pain". "Jesus loved us first by giving us Himself in ways that could not have been ours without the painful season". God truly loves us and understands us. Pray in confidence of His love.

Lesson 3: Be Obedient to God and be an agent for God's miracles

V 39 Take away the stone.

Be obedient to remove all things which may hinder God's work in our lives including doubts and unbelief. Remove stones for others by helping them out practically.

Lesson 4: Pray boldly in faith

V 41-42 Jesus prayed

We need to boldly pray and give thanks for miracles.

Lesson 5: Prophetic Proclamation

V 43 Lazarus, come forth

Prophetic proclamation Mark 11:23-24

Lesson 6: Cooperate with God

V 44. Loose him and let him go

We need to do what we can do.

Discussion questions *(don't have to answer all, just pick the ones relevant to your group):*

1. Share a miracle/answered prayer that you have personally experienced or which you have firsthand knowledge about. Was it immediate or was it over a period of time?
2. Share an experience you may have where Jesus tarried in answering your prayers and through which you were drawn closer to God and see His glory.
3. Disappointments/discouragements/doubts can contribute to a "dead" Christian life? How to apply the truths learnt from John 11 to trust God even when we don't see how things will turn out? How to we keep on trusting when answers do not come immediately or not in the way we hoped it to be.

4. Are there any “stones” you will need to obediently take away in order to position yourself to receive the miracles of God?
5. Are we confessing our challenges/difficulties or are we prophetically proclaiming God’s promises over our lives/families/situations?

Prayer items

1. Share and pray for one another to have faith to "resurrect""dead" situations.
2. Share and pray for friends who may need to have their “stones removed” and that we be willing to be agents to facilitate God’s miracles.