



# THE THREAD

*weaving Sunday's message through the week*

**Date:** June 21, 2020

**Passage:** John 11:1–57

**Theme:** Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life

Principles from the raising of Lazarus:

1. Suffering does not diminish the love of God.

Application: Refuse to allow suffering to call into question the love God has for you.

2. God displays his glory through suffering.

Application: Trust this backwards reality.

3. Followers of Jesus still tend to think they know what is best for their own lives.

Application: Resist thinking you know better than God.

4. The believer in Jesus possesses the life of Jesus.

Application: Don't fear death because it no longer applies to you.

5. The powers of this world plot in vain to stop God's plans.

Application: Leave the big picture, global stuff to God.

**Main Idea:** Live the resurrected life Jesus has given you.

## Questions:

1. Why do we struggle with calling into question the love of God when we go through suffering? List some other biblical characters that similarly struggled with suffering. What was God's response?

2. How is God's glory displayed through suffering? What is an instance in which you experienced God's glory displayed in suffering?

3. How do we presently experience the resurrection and life of Jesus? (see vv. 9–10 and 25–27)

4. In what areas do you presently need to leave the things that are happening in this world in God's hands? What should this look like in your life?

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