



**Title: Raised To Life: Miracle Working God Part 3**

**Scripture: John 11:38-57**

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**Bible Version: NKJV**

**BOTTOM LINE: God is not not bound by human limitations or physical laws.**

**Vs. 38**

**Then Jesus, again groaning-** Mary, Martha and the crowd were weeping at the loss of Lazarus. With the repetition of this phrase/word we see that Jesus is deeply moved.

**In Himself-** Jesus was not just recognizing the sorrow of others, He was feeling it Himself.

**The tomb-** The resting place of Lazarus was a cave or a den; However, It would not be his final resting place.

**Vs. 39**

**Jesus said-** This may have seemed like an odd request. People may have thought that Jesus wanted to see Lazarus one final time.

**When Jesus speaks, things happens.**

**Said to Him-** We see Martha give the Lord information.

**There is a stench, for he has been [dead] four days-** If the site of Lazarus in the tomb was not enough, the smell would be.

**God is not bound by our human limitations.**

**Vs. 40**

**If you would believe-** Although Jesus did not need the faith of Martha or Mary to perform this miracle, He still gave them an opportunity to have faith.

**If we believe, we will see the glory of God.**

**We can miss out on seeing God's glory because of our lack of faith.**

**Vs. 41-42**

**And Jesus lifted up [His] eyes-** Jesus looks to the Father.

**In times of difficulty and uncertainty we can look to our Father in Heaven.**

**Father, I thank You that You have heard Me-** Jesus spoke confidently in His prayer.

**Vs. 43**

**He cried with a loud voice-** He spoke with authority.

**Lazarus, come forth!-** Jesus spoke specifically to Lazarus and not generally to all the dead people

**Vs. 44-45**

**He who had died came out-** Lazarus came out of the cave.

**Many...believed in Him-**

**Results of Lazarus being raised from the dead:**

1. The Father would be glorified.
2. Martha and Mary's faith would be strengthened.
3. Many believed in Jesus.

**This would send a powerful message to death and to those who saw this. Jesus had power over death and would soon demonstrate it with His own body.**

**Vs. 46**

**But-** The works of Jesus yet again divide humanity.

**You either believe in Jesus or you do not.**

**Vs. 47**

**Gathered a council-** Although it was unofficial, there was a meeting of people opposed to Jesus.

**Vs. 48**

**The logical response to seeing these miracles was to believe in Jesus.**

**Vs. 49-53**

**Then-** Caiaphas was the high priest. He was one of the leaders in this council. Prophesied that Jesus would be the one to suffer and die for His people.

**They plotted to put Him to death-** Up until this point, the less important leaders wanted to do away with Jesus. Now the men with real political power wanted Jesus dead.-Guzik

**Vs. 54**

**No longer walked openly-** This was not because He was afraid, it just wasn't His time yet.

**Among the Jews-** This refers to the religious leaders.

**Vs. 55**

**And the Passover of the Jews was near-** It would not be long before Jesus would be betrayed, arrested, condemned and crucified. - Guzik

**Vs. 56**

**What do you think-**that He will not come to the Feast?- These leaders reasoned among themselves to determine if Jesus would show up in public again.

**Vs. 57**

**He should report [it], that they might seize Him-** Another result of Lazarus being raised from the dead was that it turned Jesus the miracle worker into a wanted man.

**The truth of the Gospel is offensive. You will either believe in Jesus or not.**

**We would be better off offending others over the truth of the Gospel rather than living in disbelief of what God can do in our lives.**



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**BOTTOM LINE: Even in difficult times, the Lord still loves us unconditionally.**

**DO.**



Anytime you read God's word you have to put things into perspective. You also have to realize that the terms, not words, have meanings. As a group re-read the scriptures that was studied. Try a the Amplified Version and compare that to the NJKV, NIV, ESV, or NASB. Pick a few words and have a group member look that word up on [blueletterbible.com](http://blueletterbible.com) or with their app.



**DISCUSS.**

1. What do you think was going through the minds of everyone as Jesus asked for the stone to be rolled away?
2. What do you think everyone was thinking when they saw Lazarus?
3. In your own words, explain how people could possibly walk away from this and not believe.

**DO.**



1. What does this study reveal to you about God?
2. What does this study reveal to you about yourself?
3. Based on this, what changes do you need to make?
4. What is your prayer for today?