

“Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life”

(Easter Sunday Morning March 31st, 2024)

Passage: John 11:38-45

Luke 7:14-16 “14 And He came up and touched the coffin; and the bearers came to a halt. And He said, ‘Young man, I say to you, arise!’ 15 The dead man sat up and began to speak. And Jesus gave him back to his mother.”

Luke 8:54-55 “54 He, however, took her by the hand and called, saying, ‘Child, arise!’ 55 And her spirit returned, and she got up immediately;...”

Matt 27:52-53 “52 The tombs were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised; 53 and coming out of the tombs after His resurrection they entered the holy city and appeared to many.”

It is true that Lazarus was a walking testimony of the resurrection, but the primary reason Jesus raised Him from the dead was to a _____ His d _____.

John 20:31 “...these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name”

I. The S _____ That Jesus I _____

1) A D _____ With a Purpose

I agree with the Westminster Confession of Faith which says, “It is the chief end of man to g _____
G _____ and enjoy Him forever.”

Ps 29:3; 24:7-10; Eph 1:17; 1 Cor 2:8; 1 Pet 4:14; Isa 6:3; Eph 1:5-6; John 9:1-3; 2 Cor 4:17; 12:7-9; Phil 1:20; John 17:1 (References)

2) A D _____ With a Purpose

The fact that Jesus deeply loved every member of this family did not make them i _____
to trouble or even death.

Job 1:1 (Reference)

Rom 8:35-39 (Reference)

Heb 13:5 (Reference)

Question = Why Did Jesus Deliberately Wait to Come to See Lazarus?

Answer = Two Reasons

a. To I _____ Their Faith

b. To I _____ This Miracle

Luke 7:11-15 (Reference)

Heb 13:5 (Reference)

John 12:9-11 (Turn and Read)

II. The S_____ That Jesus E_____

1) M_____ Expression of Grief

This was an amazing confession of faith on Martha's part; for you see, in the Old Testament, the resurrection was somewhat of a s_____ truth.

Job 19:25-26 "25 As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will take His stand on the earth. 26 'Even after my skin is destroyed, Yet from my flesh I shall see God'"

Eze 37; Dan 12:2 (References)

2 Tim 1:10 "...our Savior Christ Jesus...brought life and immortality to light..."

Luke 21:16-19 "16 But you will be betrayed even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death, 17 and you will be hated by all because of My name. 18 "Yet not a hair of your head will perish."

2) M_____ Expression of Grief

Every time Mary appears in the Bible, she is seen at Jesus' f_____.

Luke 10:39; John 11:32; John 12:3 (References)

3) J_____ Expression of Grief

The Bible says that Jesus' u_____ of emotions began when "He Saw" these women and the others present weeping.

Rom 12:15 (Reference)

Ps 56:8 (Reference)

III. The S_____ That Jesus P_____

1) An I_____ Mood

Heb 2:14-15 "14 Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partookz of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and might free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives"

2) An I_____ Miracle

Jesus pointed out in His prayer that these people would have to look to Him in faith in order to see the g_____ of God in this miracle.

Matt 27:50 "And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, and yielded up His spirit"

1 Thess 4:16 "For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout,..."

Luke 16:27-31 "27 And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, that you send him to my father's house -- 28 for I have five brothers -- in order that he may warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.' 29 'But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' 30 'But he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent!' 31 'But he said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be persuaded even if someone rises from the dead.'"