

Jesus Makes Dead People Come Alive // John 11:38-44
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Jesus Raises Lazarus

³⁸ Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. ³⁹ Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰ Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹ So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³ When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." ⁴⁴ The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Opening Reflection

1. What stood out to you most from Jamie's sermon about Jesus raising Lazarus?
 2. How does this passage shape your understanding of Jesus' attitude toward death?
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Understanding the Text

3. In verse 38, John says Jesus was "deeply moved." The sermon explains this as anger toward death. Why is it important to see Jesus' anger at death rather than fear of it?
 4. Why do you think Jesus prayed aloud before raising Lazarus (vv. 41–42)? What does this teach us about his purpose in performing miracles?
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Personal Application

5. The sermon said Lazarus' resurrection is both a **parable** (spiritual resurrection) and a **preview** (physical resurrection). How do you see both truths in your own life?

6. What “grave clothes” (old habits, sins, shame) do you feel Jesus is calling you to leave behind?
 7. How does the promise of your future resurrection affect the way you live today?
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Faith and Belief

8. Jesus said, “Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?” (v. 40). What does it mean for you to “see the glory of God” in your current circumstances?
 9. The sermon warned against being merely impressed by Jesus instead of believing in him. How can we move from admiration to genuine faith?
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Looking Ahead

10. Jamie said, “First up is Lazarus. But you’re next.” How does this truth give you hope or challenge you?