

John 11:38-46

THE RESURRECTION OF LAZARUS

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Introduction:

I. THE SITUATION AT THE SEPULCHER (11:38-41a)

A. Jesus' Reaction (vs. 38)

"Jesus, again being deeply moved within"

"came to the tomb"

"it was a cave and a stone was lying against it"

B. Martha's Reluctance (vs. 39)

"Jesus said, 'Remove the stone."

"Martha, the sister of the deceased, said to Him ... "

"Lord, by this time there will be a stench, for he has been dead four days."

C. Jesus' Reminder (vs. 40-41a)

"Jesus said to her, 'Did I not say to you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?"

"so they removed the stone"

II. THE SUPPLICATION OF THE SAVIOR (11:41b-42)

A. Trust in God (vs. 41b)

"then Jesus raised His eyes, and said, 'Father, I thank You that You have heard Me."

B. Testimony to Man (vs. 42)

"I knew that You always hear Me ... "

"but because of the people standing around I said it"

"so that they may believe that You sent Me"

III. THE SUMMONS OF LAZARUS (THE STIFF) (11:43-46)

A. His Resurrection (vs. 43-44a)

"When He had said these things, He cried out with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come forth.""

B. His Release (vs. 44b)

"...came forth, bound hand and foot with wrappings, and his face was wrapped around with a cloth" "Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go."

C. The Crowd's Response (vs. 44-45)

belief - "many of the Jews who came to Mary, and saw what He had done, believed in Him" *betrayal* - "but some of them went to the Pharisees and told them the things which Jesus had done"

Conclusion:

- 1) A parable...
- 2) A picture...
- 3) A powerful call...

Food for Thought:

- 1) What is the meaning of the statement that Jesus was "deeply moved within"?
- 2) Is seeing a miracle necessary? Would it help? Why or why not?
- 3) What is the significance of Jesus' prayer in vs. 41-42?
- 4) How is God's work in our salvation illustrated in the calling forth of a dead man?