

MIRACLES

GOD'S POWER AT WORK IN YOU

Raising the Dead

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Introduction:

- ◆ Grave subject today
- ◆ From death to life

Jesus looked at them intently and said, "Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But not with God. Everything is possible with God." **Mark 10:27**

Now a man named Lazarus was sick. He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. (This Mary, whose brother Lazarus now lay sick, was the same one who poured perfume on the Lord and wiped his feet with her hair.) So the sisters sent word to Jesus, "Lord, the one you love is sick." When he heard this, Jesus said, "This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God's glory so that God's Son may be glorified through it." **John 11:1-4**

Raising the dead...

1. The _____ dead

Hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs—beautiful on the outside but filled on the inside with dead people's bones and all sorts of impurity. **Matthew 23:27**

2. Death _____

- _____ - dead in his _____
- _____ - dead in her _____
- _____ - dead in her _____

Then Thomas (also known as Didymus) said to the rest of the disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home. "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask."

John 11:16-21

3. Dress for _____ - take of the _____

When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go." **John 11:43-44**

What in your life is dead (or dying)?

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?" **John 11:25-26**

Next Steps:

- Read John 11:1-44 this week
- Memorize Mark 10:27 (series memory verse)
- Confess my negative attitude that takes my joy of life away: _____
- My prayer, "God breathe new life into me today"
- I will take off my grave clothes (_____) and dress in God's forgiveness and righteousness