

## QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. What did the Lord see in that there were many people with the widow?
2. What did Christ's words mean to the widow before and after the miracle?
3. What effect did Christ touching the bier have on those around? Why?
4. When Jesus intervenes in a person's life, what effect does He have on them?
5. How can we be like Christ in this role?

### SUMMARY:

Christ had a very great compassion for this widow and her dead son. He also has a great love for us and is sympathetic to our problems and needs. What makes this such a blessing is that along with this love, He has the power to supply whatever is best for us regardless of what it may be. Christ is never defeated and the only time we are defeated is when we fail to trust in Him.

Let us also remember to have compassion for those who have not accepted Christ. There are also many in this world who do not know the true reason why Christ came. Those of us who claim to be His should remember that His love should be within us so that we, too, can show this type of love to our fellow man.

### NOTES:

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**[SoF:4]** We believe that Jesus Christ is God incarnate, born of a virgin, and lived a sinless life. He died on the cross for us. His shed blood is the atonement for our sins. **[SoF:15]** We believe that the Great Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ is an invitation for everyone to live a life of abandonment to Him, Who loved us and gave Himself for us - surrendering His personal ambitions and possessions in an unreserved committal to take the proclamation of the Gospel throughout "all the world to every creature".

## APOSTOLIC CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible Lesson #10

December 3, 2017

Fourth Quarter

### RAISING THE WIDOW'S SON

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**LESSON TEXT:** Luke 7:11-17

**LESSON SETTING:** Jesus was traveling into the city of Nain, southeast of Nazareth.

**TIME:** Approximately 28 A.D.

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#### I. JESUS CONFRONTS DEATH. Luke 7:11-12

- A. Physical Death - 2 Samuel 14:14; 1 Kings 17:17; Hebrews 9:27
- B. Spiritual Death - Genesis 2:17; Romans 6:23; James 1:5
- C. Christ Confronts Death - John 6:53; 10:11

#### II. JESUS DEFEATS DEATH. Luke 7:13-15

- A. Christ has Compassion<sup>[SoF:4]</sup> (vs. 13) Matthew 9:36; John 11:35; 15:9
- B. Christ Takes Over (vs. 14) John 11:23; 2 Corinthians 11:2
- C. Christ Supplies the Victory (vs. 15) Job 19:26; 1 John 5:4

#### III. GOD IS GLORIFIED. Luke 7:16-17

- A. God is Feared (vs. 16) Acts 5:11; Luke 1:50
- B. God is Glorified (vs. 16) John 15:8; 1 Corinthians 6:20
- C. The Gospel is Spread<sup>[SoF:15]</sup> (vs. 17) Luke 24:47; Acts 1:8

**GOLDEN TEXT: BUT THANKS BE TO GOD, WHICH GIVETH US THE VICTORY THROUGH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.**

1 Corinthians 15:57

**NEXT SUNDAY'S LESSON:** Luke 7:36-50

**SUPPLEMENTAL REFERENCES:** 2 Samuel 9:1-13;  
Psalm 32:1-5; 51:1-9

**QUARTERLY THEME:** Christ the Son of Man

**TOPIC:** JESUS ANOINTED AT SIMON'S HOUSE

**INTRODUCTION:**

Certain people as the woman in this lesson were known and classified as "sinners" because they had broken the laws of the Pharisees, and the Pharisees did not associate with them. But God says "all have sinned" (Romans 3:23) and "all our righteousness are as filthy rags" (Isaiah 64:6). Accordingly, the Apostle Paul who was by the law blameless, testifies that "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners of whom I am chief." (1 Timothy 1:15)

This woman was not worse than this Pharisee, but both were in need of Christ as a Savior. The difference is that her eyes were opened to her sinful condition, but Simon's were closed to his sinful condition. It is also true that none of us are better than others, but all are in need of Christ. He who came to seek and to save that which is lost will receive anyone who seeing his sinful condition will turn in repentance to Him.

**CENTRAL TRUTH:** We prove our true love when it comes from the heart.

***GOLDEN TEXT: AND HE SAID TO THE WOMAN, THY FAITH HATH SAVED THEE; GO IN PEACE.*** Luke 7:50

This sinner woman had no good works to bring before the Lord. She didn't even have a good reputation or friend to uphold her. She herself and most other people knew that she was a sinner. Being an outcast in her community, it was with faith and faith alone that she hoped Jesus would receive her.

God's Word tells us that "the Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart: and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit." (Psalm 34:18) Being greatly sorrowed for her sinful state this woman longed for Jesus' forgiveness and the peace this would give her. Her faith in Jesus made this possible for her.

Like this woman, no one has good works whereby he can be saved. The one that is contrite and comes to Christ in faith will not only be freed from sin, but will receive a peace which the world does not know—a peace with God and with self, that is in the heart.

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF December 4 – 10**

- M. The Ancient's Hope. Job 19:19-29
- T. The Prophet's Hope. Daniel 12:2-13
- W. The Psalmist's Hope. Psalm 16:1-11
- T. \*Jesus Anointed at Simon's House. Luke 7:36-50
- F. The Disciples' Hope. John 14:1-19
- S. The Believer's Hope. 1 Corinthians 15:51-58
- S. The Apostles' Hope. 2 Timothy 4:1-8

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