

WEEK 2 – PURSUIT OF RESTORATION
Day 2 – Restoration of our Lives



Read what? Luke 7:11–15



What?

This is where you describe what happened in the story in your own words.



So what?

This is where you talk about what this passage means to you in your own life.



Now what?

This is where you talk about what you are going to do differently because of this passage.

Day 3 – Restoration of our Lives

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You don't see that every day! A dead man sat up and started talking. "Fear seized them all." Yeah, I bet! This was 2,000 years before *The Walking Dead*. Jesus had compassion on this woman. That is beautiful. Jesus saw this woman's broken heart. He recognized that this woman now was without a husband and son, meaning she had no way of providing for herself and that she was going to become a beggar. His heart went out to her, and He had compassion on her. That compassion demanded action, and the action it demanded was the resurrection of the dead.

In the Garden of Eden, God and man had perfect communion; life was good. But it was broken when sin entered the world; when the curse of death was placed on each one of us. Jesus claims that He has come to give us "life and life abundantly." Although we will all eventually face death, Jesus is offering life. Not just life eternal with God in Heaven, but a full, satisfying, joy-filled life right here on Earth today. Solomon discovered that the secret to happiness was not found in extravagant parties or in enough women to have a new one each day. He had all of that, and all of it was "meaningless." Everything pales in comparison to the abundant life that Jesus offers.

Study Questions:

1. Do a quick Google search on other people raised from the dead in Scripture. Why were they resurrected?
2. What did Jesus do to raise this man from the dead?

Application Questions:

1. What have you experienced of the world that was pleasant for a time, but ultimately found that it is meaningless?
2. Have you discovered the abundant life that Jesus was talking about? If you have, what was it? If not, what is keeping you from experiencing it?