

Sermon Application Study

November 19, 2023

Target Passage → Luke 7:11-17

1. It's difficult to lose a child, but what did losing her only son mean for this widow?
2. Why did Jesus tell the widow not to weep? Are Christians not supposed to find death upsetting? Explain.
3. What did the people conclude about Jesus based on what they saw? Why?
4. Jesus' miracles are pictures of spiritual truths about the kingdom of God. What does this picture teach us?

Bridge Passages (for further study) → Psalm 13, Psalm 30, 1 Corinthians 15:35-58

For Me →

1. What's the difference between Christian and non-Christian sorrow? How does a Christian suffer differently?
2. How does the resurrecting power of Jesus speak to one of our greatest longings as human beings?

PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for the brothers and sisters of churches in closed countries who face daily persecution. Ask the Lord to show them mercy, give them courage, and deliver them from death.

For the Mission →

1. How would you walk with someone through the death of a loved in a way that points him/her to Jesus?
2. Think about churches in countries where the persecution against Christians is high, whose leaders are being threatened with death. How does this passage bring hope and peace?