

Home Group Discussion Questions

Sunday May 1st

Luke 7:11-17

Icebreaker: What songs would you like at your funeral? (A bit morbid I'm afraid!)

Question: Was there anything that particularly spoke to you in the sermon this Sunday? Or that you disagreed with or were confused about?

Intro and Summary:

This Sunday's sermon was on Jesus raising the widows' son at Nain. The points were:

- **The compassion of God**
- **Death is conquered**
- **God has visited His people**

The compassion of God

Read Luke 7:13.

The word 'compassion' conveys a deep, gut-wrenching, feeling that Jesus has for this woman. Jesus feels this woman's pain and her loss on the inside, he's moved deep down by pity for her.

Read: *Luke 15:20 & Micah 7:18-19*

Question: What do you think it is that moves God to compassion?

[You might also look at some of the following verses: Deut 30:1-3; 32:36; 2 Kings 13:22-23; 2 Chron 36:11-16; Ps 103:13-14; Is 49:13-15; Is 55:6-7].

What does the Bible say moves God to compassion?

Question: What moves you to compassion?

[you might consider the following verses: 1 Cor 9:22 & Prov 19:17]

Question: Does acting out of compassion mean responding to a whim? Why or why not?

Death is conquered

Question: There were likely many other people who died who Jesus didn't raise from the dead. Why do you think Jesus chose to raise this widow's son? What is Jesus teaching us through this?

Question: How should Christians mourn? Is it wrong for Christians to mourn death? How should we respond? [Read 1 Thess 4:13].

God has visited His people

See 1 Cor 15:50-57

Question: What does the knowledge that death has lost its sting mean to you? How should it affect your witnessing?