



# Resurrections

All miracles involved the impossible. They were things that no one else could do. It is hard, if not impossible to rank the miracles in order of importance. The feeding of 5,000 is impressive, but it may not be as spectacular to us as stopping a storm on a rough sea.

But of all the miracles, raising the dead truly showed the enormous authority that Jesus had. Death is Satan's greatest tool and man's greatest fear. A person can deal with blindness, leprosy or being lame. There is no dealing with death. It is final.

## Understanding The Teachings About Death:

- Death is the enemy of God (1 Cor 15:26)
- Jesus came to destroy the works of Satan (1 Jn 3:8)
- Satan has the power of death (Heb 2:14)
- Jesus delivered us from the fear of death (Heb 2:15)
- At death, there is a separation of the body and soul (Jas 2:26; Lk 16:22-23; Ecc 12:7)
- We live on after death (Lk 12:4)
- Our souls go to hades at death - this is where Jesus went at His death (Acts 2:31)

### 1. There are only three specific people that Jesus raised in the Gospels (widow's son, Synagogue official's daughter, Lazarus)

- Jairus' daughter was 12 years old and had just died
- The widow's son, likely had died that day

- Lazarus had been dead for four days and was already buried
- Jesus spoke to all three of the dead directly
- Only Lazarus' resurrection seemed planned

### 2. The resurrection of the dead is one of the signs given to John as proof of who Jesus was (Lk 7:22)

- Jesus didn't raise people every day

**Widow's Son: Luke 7:11-17**

**Jairus' Daughter: Luke 8:49-56**

**Lazarus: John 11:3-46 (12:9-11)**



- Jesus viewed the death of the righteous as "sleep" (Mk 5:39; Jn 11:11; 1 Cor 15:51; 1 Thes 4:13)
- The response was "immediate"
- See compassion of Jesus (Lk 7:13; Jn 11:35)

### 3. Casting out demons and raising the dead showed the authority of Jesus in the spirit world.

His voice could reach, be heard and obeyed in places we cannot go.

- His authority was not limited to \_\_\_\_\_
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## Bible Resurrections

There are just a handful of resurrections in the Bible.

### O.T. Resurrections

- Elijah: raised the widow's son (1 Kg 17:22)
- Elisha: raised the Shunammite's son (2 King 4:34-35)
- Man raised when he came into contact with Elisha's bones (2 Kg 13:20-21)

### N.T. Resurrections

- Jesus raised widow's son (Lk 7:14-15)
- Jesus Jarius' daughter (Lk 8:54-55)
- Jesus raised Lazarus (Jn 11)
- Righteous in Jerusalem raised at Jesus' death (Mt 27:52)
- Peter raised Dorcus (Acts 9:40)
- Paul raised Eutychus (Acts 20:9-12)
- Jesus: Jn 2:19; Mt 28:6; 1 Cor 15:1-4)

## The Power of Resurrections

1. Jesus' voice could be heard in \_\_\_\_\_
2. These specific dead \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus
3. Their souls left Hades and were \_\_\_\_\_ in their bodies (Lk 8:55)
4. Implied, whatever caused these people to die, was \_\_\_\_\_
5. For Lazarus, the process of decomposition was \_\_\_\_\_
6. It is not recorded what any of the resurrected saw or heard on the other side
7. Eventually, they had to die \_\_\_\_\_
8. These resurrections were done on \_\_\_\_\_ through the power of God. They didn't just happen.
9. It caused many to \_\_\_\_\_
10. Jesus demonstrated that He was "The Resurrection" (Jn 11:25)