

“THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE”
PART 3: RAISING LAZARUS
(John 11:33-44)

- I. Jesus and the MOURNERS (John 11:33-37)
 - A. Mary and the other mourners were WAILING (11:33a)
 - B. Jesus' emotional response was INTENSE (11:33b)
 - 1. He was ANGRY that SIN and DEATH caused such anguish
 - 2. He was ANGRY that they were grieving like UNBELIEVERS
 - C. They took Jesus to the tomb, where He WEPT (cf. Rom. 12:15)
 - 1. “The Jews” thought it evidenced His LOVE for Lazarus
 - 2. Some thought it evidenced His FRUSTRATION

- II. Jesus and MARTHA (John 11:38-41a)
 - A. Arriving at the tomb, Jesus was again ANGRY
 - B. Jesus told them to REMOVE the STONE
 - C. Martha OBJECTED on the ground of the STENCH
 - D. Jesus promised, “If you BELIEVE, you will see the GLORY of God”
 - 1. Everyone present would witness the MIRACLE
 - 2. Only those who BELIEVED would see in it the GLORY OF GOD
 - E. “So they REMOVED the stone”

III. Jesus and the MIRACLE (John 11:41b-44)

A. Jesus prepared with PRAYER (11:41b-42)

1. He addressed God simply as "FATHER"
2. He THANKED the Father for having HEARD Him
3. He acknowledged that the Father ALWAYS heard Him
4. He prayed so those present would BELIEVE that He had been SENT by the Father

B. Jesus demonstrated His POWER (11:43-44)

1. He SHOUTED loudly to indicate JOYFUL CONFIDENCE
2. He called Lazarus BY NAME
3. He commanded him to "COME FORTH"
4. The "man who had DIED" EMERGED
5. Jesus commanded them to UNBIND and RELEASE Lazarus