

SSE Classmates,

We look forward to seeing you on ZOOM, our new platform moving forward. This platform will allow us better technical control and may allow you to feel a greater sense of community and “real time” interaction. Please note, you ARE NOT required to turn on your video. To start, you will continue to use the chat feature for comments and questions. Also, everyone will be MUTED by the host, so there’s no need to hit specific buttons on your phone to mute yourselves. ZOOM info is: **Meeting ID: 989 3972 4235; Password: 740307; Dial-in: 301-715-8592.**

We thank God for each of you and for our SSE experience.

21 February 2021

Assurance of Victory Over Death¹

Lesson Text: John 11:17-32

Related Scriptures: Revelation 1:17-20; John 5:21-29

TIME: A.D. 30

PLACE: Bethany

GOLDEN TEXT: *“Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live”.* (John 11:25 KJV)

Scripture Lesson Text

John 11:17-32

17 Then when Jesus came, he found that he had lain in the grave four days already.

18 Now Bethany was nigh unto Jerusalem, about fifteen furlongs off:

19 And many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother.

20 Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him: but Mary sat still in the house.

21 Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.

¹ Union Gospel Press, Adult Bible Teacher, Winter Quarter, December 2020; January, February 2021; 10 January 2021, page 70; Assurance of Victory Over Death

22 But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee.

23 Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.

24 Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.

25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

27 She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.

28 And when she had so said, she went her way, and called Mary her sister secretly, saying, The Master is come, and calleth for thee.

29 As soon as she heard that, she arose quickly, and came unto him.

30 Now Jesus was not yet come into the town, but was in that place where Martha met him.

31 The Jews then which were with her in the house, and comforted her, when they saw Mary, that she rose up hastily and went out, followed her, saying, She goeth unto the grave to weep there.

32 Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.

Lesson Aim

Facts: Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life.

Principle: To understand what it means that Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life.

Application: To apply the meaning of Jesus as the Resurrection and the Life to our daily lives, especially in enabling us to face sorrows and difficulties with steadfast hope.

Introduction

Although we live far from the days of Jesus' earthly ministry and will not see a bodily resurrection in our lifetime, we have much to learn from John's account of the raising of Lazarus from the dead.

I. Developing the Lesson:

The Gospel of John is organized around the key miracles and discourses of Jesus. John's special emphasis on presenting Jesus as the divine Savior of the world goes some way toward explaining why the story of Lazarus's resurrection is only found in his Gospel.

- a. Jesus is with us in our grief (John 11:17-24)
- b. Jesus is the resurrection and the life (John 11:25-27)
- c. Jesus is with us in our doubts (John 11:28-32)

II. Studying the Text

a. A Purposeful Death (John 11:17-22)

- i. Lazarus dies (John 11:17-18)
- ii. Jesus arrives (John 11:19-20)
- iii. Martha's faith (John 11:21-22)

b. Resurrection Promised (John 11:23-27)

- i. A comforting promise (John 11:23-24)
- ii. A glorious affirmation (John 11:25-27)

c. Resurrection Assured (John 11:28-32)

- i. Mary called (John 11:28-30)
- ii. Mary's devotion (John 11:31-32)

III. Take Aways

IV. Announcements

V. Closing Prayer

Daily Bible Readings for Home Study and Worship

For: 28 February 2021 -- LET'S READ!!

A Display of Divine Glory

Monday- Eyewitnesses of Jesus Glory (**2nd Peter 1:16-18**)

Tuesday- Jesus' Great Power (**Ephesians 1:19-23**)

Wednesday- I Will Live and Declare His Works (**Psalms 118:15-24**)

Thursday- The Work of the Spirit (**John 16:7-15**)

Friday- Glorify the Son (**John 17:1-9**)

Saturday- Give God the Glory (**Psalms 72:11-19**)

Sunday- Seeing the Glory of God (**John 11:33-44**)