

HEALING MIRACLES

“GOING AGAINST NATURAL EMOTIONS”

(RAISING OF THE WIDOW’S SON) - Luke 7:11-17

Lesson #8

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REVIEW:

- A. Problem Luke 7:11-12
- 1) They could be relatives, or those who cared about her, him, maybe both.
 - 2) “man” is inserted and though there is nothing in this word to infer man, boy, etc., the rest of the passage makes it clear.
 - 3) Son is (υἱός) uios - mature one, not child
 - 4) The man is very dead and has been long enough to have been prepared for burial and it’s preparations readied.
- B. Plan Luke 7:13
- 1) Weeping - (κλαίω) = to mourn, weep, lament
 - 2) There is a command here.
 - 3) It may just be better **TO PUT ON SOMETHING** that is right, then to be genuine in what is wrong.
 - 4) You may be genuine in your words, thoughts, and outward expressions, but God may be telling you to knock it off!
 - 5) She could have said, “No Jesus, I’m not feeling that today.”
 - 6) That expression won’t fit with what **WAS GOING TO HAPPEN,** only with what **DID HAPPEN**
 - 7) The inroad for Jesus to change the situation is **HER HEARING** and **OBEYING HIS COMMAND**

- 8) The power is not in her **DENYING THE CIRCUMSTANCES,** but in her **OBEYING HIS COMMANDS**

- C. Proclamation Luke 7:14-17
- 1) Did Jesus just pick up an attachment to this situation with a widow and son He never met?
 - 2) If mere compassion give us the right to intervene, how many people that you know would be healed?
 - 3) Presented = give to. The man was taken, Jesus took him back and gave him to his mother.
 - 4) It is stated that she was his mother, so how did Jesus come to have something of him and “present” him back to his mother?
 - 5) Similar situation in 2 Kings 4:32-37
 - 6) They saw a great prophet because of what they had seen him do, not what they heard Him teach. It was **WORKS,** not **WISDOM** they valued.
 - 7) Guess what word they use for risen? - (ἐγείρω) *egeirō* - the same one Jesus used!

APPLICATION: More seems to be needed than just compassion to open the door to divine healing.

There needs to be some openness of the spirit to receive from God.