



A STUDY OF THE LIFE OF JESUS

Lesson Seventeen: The Raising of Lazarus

Lesson Texts: Luke 17:11-18:14, John 11:1-46

A. Perea to Bethany; the Raising of Lazarus (John 11:1-46)

1. What occasioned the miracle performed in this chapter?

2. a. What was Jesus' initial reaction to the news about Lazarus?

b. What did His disciples think He meant by it?

3. a. Why did Jesus' disciples try to discourage Him from going to Bethany where Lazarus was?

b. Why did He [say] He must go to Lazarus?

[c. *What do you think Jesus meant in verses 14-15?]

[d. *What did Thomas say to his fellow disciples and what attitude do you think he had when he said it?]

[e. *Do you ever follow Jesus with the same attitude that Thomas had? If so, what is missing from your heart?]

4. a. What manifestations of faith in Jesus are seen in this incident? Describe each.

[b. *Who did Jesus declare Himself to be and what promise did He give to those who believe in Him?]

[c. *What question did He ask upon this declaration, which He also asks of you and me?]

[d. *How did Martha answer Him? Would you answer the same?]

5. a. Why do you think Jesus wept as He stood before the tomb of Lazarus?

[b. *How do you think this would relate to Jesus now, as our intercessor?]

[c. *What did Jesus do before He call forth Lazarus? Why?]

[d. *What words did Jesus use to speak to Lazarus?]

[e. *Has Jesus ever said those words to you to release you from the “death” of pride, despair, grief, rebellion, loneliness or fear?]

6. What was the reaction(s) of the Jews to the miracle Jesus performed?

7. What were some of the consequences of this miracle?

B. Retiring Before the Sanhedrin's Decree (John 11:47-54)

8. a. Where did Jesus go after leaving Bethany?

b. Why did He go there?

9. a. What question did the Jews ask in reference to Jesus at the Passover?

b. What order had the chief priests and Pharisees given at the feast in relation to Jesus?

C. Journey to Jerusalem. Ten Lepers. Concerning the Kingdom (Luke 17:11-37)

10. a. What request did ten lepers ask of Jesus as He entered a village?

b. What was His reply to them? **[*Check your Bible for footnotes, study notes or cross references to explain Jesus' reply.]**

[c. * What was the result?]

11. What was the reaction of these [9] lepers when they discovered they were healed?

12. a. What did Jesus say to the one leper who returned to Him?

[b. * Since verse 14 says the lepers were cleansed, what does Jesus mean in verse 19?]

[c. * What principle/attitude is taught in this conversation that could be applied to your life?]

13. What was Jesus' reply to the Pharisees who asked Him when the kingdom of God should come?
14. In warning His disciples not to be deceived by the false "christs" who would appear, how did Jesus make it clear that His coming would be obvious to all?
15. What did Jesus say had to first come to pass before He would come in His glory?
16. To what two previous events did Jesus liken the conditions which would exist at His coming?

D. The Parable of the Importunate Widow (Luke 18:1-8)

17. Briefly summarize this parable.
18. a. What lesson was it intended to teach?

[b. *How do the following Scriptures add to your understanding of the parable of the widow praying.]

Lamentations 2:19

Psalm 119:147

Psalm 119:62

Conclusions:

E. The Parable of the Pharisee and Publican (Luke 18:9-14)

19. Briefly summarize the parable.
20. What lesson was it intended to teach?

“For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow, it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.” Hebrews 4:12



Women Alive in Christ Application Questions:

1. a. What new thing did you learn as you studied this week?

b. Was there something familiar to you that now took on a new meaning and purpose for your life?

2. a. Was there something in this week’s lesson about Jesus that particularly touched your heart?

b. Did you have “Eyes to See Him” in your own life this week?

3. a. What did you learn about other individuals in this lesson?

b. Can you relate to them in any way?

4. Has this week’s study challenged you, strengthened or grown you in your faith, trust or love for Jesus?

5. Were you convicted in any way?

6. What would God have you do in response to what has been revealed to you through the Scriptures? Are you willing to make and express a measurable goal to share with your group in an effort and desire for accountability?

7. Write out your personal prayer request to share *briefly* with your group (*in giving your request, please refrain from unnecessary details so that we make sure we hear from everyone and that there is time to pray.*)