Miracles: Part 5 Resurrection Through Jesus is Key to Miracles

ICE BREAKER QUESTIONS

1. What's a piece of advice your parents or grandparents gave you that you want to pass on?

2. What is your favorite thing to do locally?

WORD

John 11:1-16 (NIV)

1 Now a man named Lazarus was sick. He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. 2 (This Mary, whose brother Lazarus now lay sick, was the same one who poured perfume on the Lord and wiped his feet with her hair.) 3 So the sisters sent word to Jesus, "Lord, the one you love is sick." 4 When he heard this, Jesus said, "This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God's glory so that God's Son may be glorified through it." 5 Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. 6 So when he heard that Lazarus was sick, he stayed where he was two more days, 7 and then he said to his disciples, "Let us go back to Judea." 8 "But Rabbi," they said, "a short while ago the Jews there tried to stone you, and yet you are going back?" 9 Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Anyone who walks in the daytime will not stumble, for they see by this world's light. 10 It is when a person walks at night that they stumble, for they have no light." 11 After he had said this, he went on to tell them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep; but I am going there to wake him up." 12 His disciples replied, "Lord, if he sleeps, he will get better." 13 Jesus had been speaking of his death, but his disciples thought he meant natural sleep. 14 So then he told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead, 15 and for your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." 16 Then Thomas (also known as Didymus) said to the rest of the disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

Jesus loves you and me, his love is not some temporary or immediate solution but eternal and he doesn't want anyone of us disciples to perish.

We are destined to die but even while we are alive, we are dead without the resurrecting power of Christ in our lives. We must die with Christ so that we become alive with him. Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." Martha knows something about resurrection but did not fully understand what resurrection is all about. Jesus is resurrecting us now and will not wait until the second coming of Christ.

DISCUSSION

What do you to stay living victoriously every day with the resurrecting power of Christ? How can you make it better every day?

WORD

John 11:25-26 NIV

25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; 26 and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

To live in the resurrecting power of Christ signifies new beginning, fresh start. The one who believes in him will live, even though they die. It is the power to live.Whoever lives by believing in him will never die. Our destiny is eternity.

John 11:43-44 .When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" 44 The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go."

Many times there are hindrances for us to live with the resurrecting power of Christ.There is unbelief, disobedience and spiritual blindness. Also, pride and lack of understanding wrapped us up but Jesus said *"Take off the grave clothes and let him go."*

DISCUSSION

What shortcomings or weaknesses in your life that will you give to God in prayer, that He may use them to bring glory to Himself?

LIFE APPLICATION

We have learned all the keys of Miracles for 5 weeks and now let us use them to unlock the doors for great opportunities this 2023 and experience the Miracles of God that He has for us to bring glory and honor to His Name.Let Us Make Him Known.

VERSE TO MEDITATE ON

Galatians 2:20 (ESV)

"I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave Himself for me."

PRAYER

Share your answered prayer. Pray for one another and throughout this week.



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