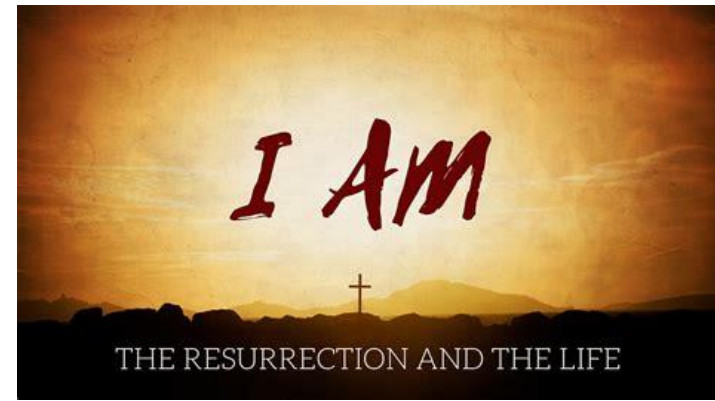


Jesus said to her, *“I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. <sup>26</sup> And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?”*

John 11:25

# Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life



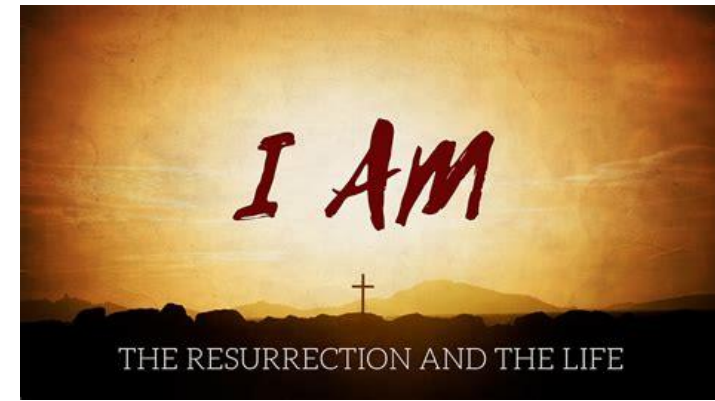
➤ ...but He doesn't take all the pain away

- Lazarus means “God helps”, a version of Eleazar. These loved ones of Christ needed His help. So do we!
- Who Jesus is does not alleviate the world of life's realities.
- Jesus knew there was a greater concern at hand (John 11:4)
- There is a greater good that overshadows all life's details

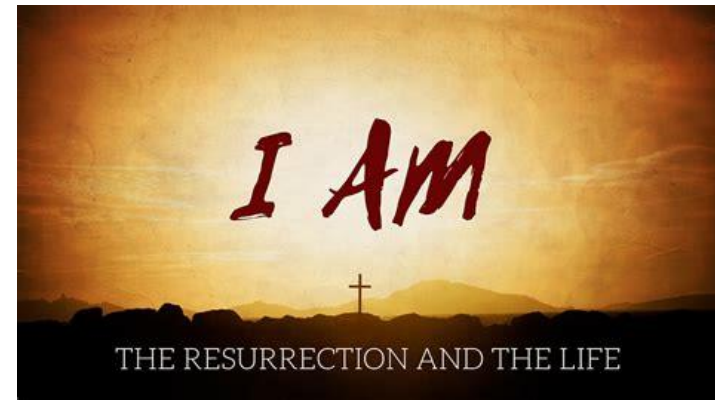
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➤ ...but it is all in His time

- He stayed two days...not in spite of-but because of!
- Is there anything more important than physical life?
- What was Jesus doing in the interim? (John 11:41)
- Jesus was glad that things worked out as they did (John 11:9-15)



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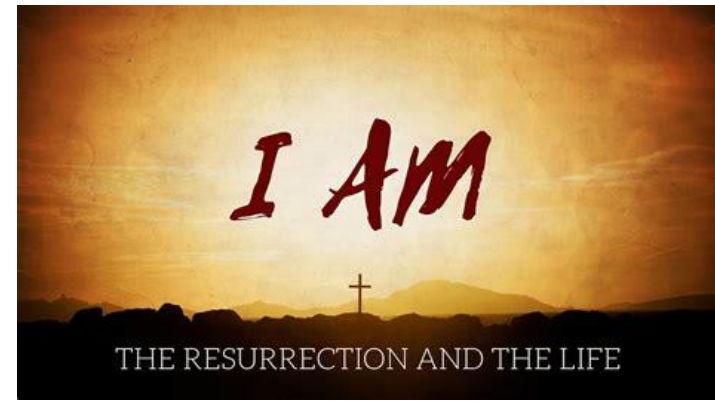
➤ ...but we may be left with questions and justified anger

- We can hear the pain and the “what if’s” in Martha’s voice (John:20-22)
- Even in the midst of hardship we are called to trust Him (John 11:25-26)
- Jesus Himself was angry (John 11:33, :38)
- Jesus wept (John 11:35)

# Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life

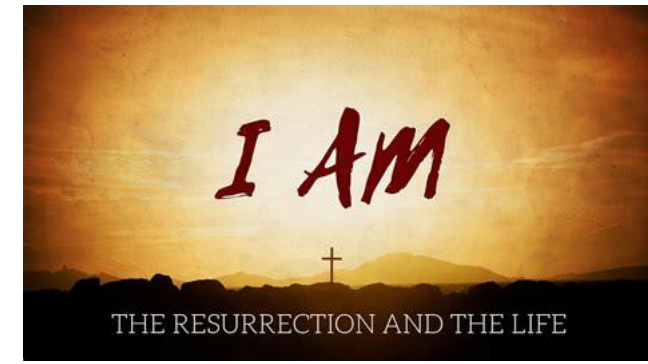
➤ ...which means God can be glorified in death

- We cannot miss where the Jesus' focus was (John 11:4; :40; 12:27-28)
- As the Resurrection and the Life Jesus speaks from His own resources (John 11:43-44)



# There have been many resurrections!

- Widow of Zarephath's son (1 Kings 17:17-24)
- Shunammite Woman's son (2 Kings 4:18-31)
- Man raised out of Elisha's grave (2 Kings 13:20-21)
- Widow of Nain's son (Luke 17:11-17)
- Jairus' daughter (Luke 8:40-56)
- Lazarus (John 11)
- Many saints in Jerusalem (Matthew 27:50-53)
- Tabitha (Acts 9:36-43)
- Eutychus (Acts 20:7-12)
- Jesus (John 20)



whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death,  
because it was not possible that He should be held by it.

Acts 2:24

But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

Romans 8:11