

Welcome to Overflow

We are so glad to see you.

Hymn 650, The Doxology

Announcements

- Next week: John 10 - “I am the Good Shepherd”
- Bring a friend. There will be food and coffee in C310.
- We will have Perspectives on February 27. Todd Erickson will speak on a Biblical look at suffering.

John II, Jesus' seventh sign

- Context: Resistance to Jesus continues to build. Jesus & His disciples have left Jerusalem, crossed the Jordan and are gathered together where John the Baptist baptized believers.
- Main Idea: In love and compassion, for God's glory, and so that you may believe that He is the resurrection and the life, Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead; thereby proving His deity and confirming His power over death.
- Author's Aim: That you might believe that Jesus is the Son of God and that He is the resurrection & the life.
- Structure: Four separate locations set the four “scenes” for this chapter and its events.

the first scene:

Jesus across the Jordan

- Jesus will reveal the glory of God and will also glorify Himself.
- Jesus LOVES Martha and her sister and Lazarus.
- “so that you may BELIEVE”
- Delay does not equal denial.
- Romans 8:18 - current sufferings don't compare with future glory

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the second scene:

Jesus just outside of Bethany

- “I am the resurrection and the life.”
- “Do you BELIEVE this?”
- In compassion, Jesus wept.
- Revelation 21:4 - He will wipe away every tear
- Hebrews 4:15 - our High Priest can sympathize with us
- 2 Corinthians 1:3-7 - the Father of compassion and God of all comfort

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the third scene: Jesus at the tomb

- Jesus prays aloud SO THAT THEY MAY BELIEVE.
- This sign proves Jesus deity & His power over death.
- I Corinthians 3:12 - now I know in part, then I shall know fully
- Jesus has an eternal perspective. Do we?

the fourth scene: a meeting of the Jewish leaders

- Reaction of the witnesses: belief and betrayal.
- Caiaphas' prophetic statement and the Pharisees' plot.
- Substitutionary atonement, the great exchange.
- Corinthians 5:21 - God made Him who knew no sin to become sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.

I AM the resurrection and the life.

- Do you **truly** believe this?
- Is your life as a believer **different** from your life before?
- Do you have an **eternal perspective**?
- Does your faith **impact** your relationships?

Since, then, you have been raised
with Christ, set your heart on
things above, where Christ is,
seated at the right hand of God.
Set your minds on things above,
not on earthly things.

- Colossians 3:1-2