

Soon afterward, Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went along with him. As he approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out—the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the town was with her. When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, "Don't cry."

Luke 7:11-13 NIV

DISCOURAGEMENT IS PERSONAL

Discouragement can be a warning light suggesting to us that we have lost our primary focus.

Then he went up and touched the bier they were carrying him on, and the bearers stood still. He said, "Young man, I say to you, get up!"

Luke 7:14 NIV

DISCOURAGEMENT IS PERVASIVE

Definition of pervasive: existing in or spreading through every part of something

The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother.

Luke 7:15 NIV

DISCOURAGEMENT IS NOT PERMANENT

Not only have you convinced yourself that you don't have what it takes and that you're bad at everything, you now start telling yourself that your failure is permanent.



Then let go of the past, the deadends, the cul-de-sacs, and the corners you've painted yourself into, and consider the alternatives Christ is ready to show you. They are not permanent unless you make them.

