

Stowmarket Baptist Church

THURSDAY BIBLE CLUB

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We hope that you enjoy this week's Bible story.

We are praying that you are all kept safe that that we can all meet up again on a Thursday soon.

Hello... I am missing seeing you on a Thursday afternoon, I'm sure we're all have smiley faces when we get together again. Love Jackie



We have another miracle of Jesus to think about this week, helping us to learn more about who Jesus really is. Remember last week we read about how Jesus made blind Bartimaeus see.

Today's miracle can be found in the Bible in Luke chapter 7 verses 11-16, which says:

¹¹ Soon afterward, Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went along with him. ¹² 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. ¹³ When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, "Don't cry."

¹⁴ 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!" ¹⁵ The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother.

¹⁶ They were all filled with awe and praised God. "A great prophet has appeared among us," they said. "God has come to help his people."

Jesus and his disciples were walking to the city of Nain. A crowd of happy people were with them, maybe they were hoping to see another wonderful miracle!

As they came near to the city gates, there was another crowd of people from the city coming towards them. But this crowd were walking very slowly and looked very sad! Why were they all so sad?

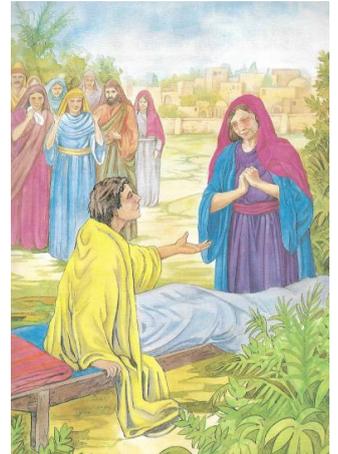
At the front of the crowd was a woman who was crying. Her husband had died some time ago, so she was a widow. Now her only son had died as well. They were carrying his dead body out of the city to bury him in a grave. No wonder his mum was so very sad, with tears in her eyes.

Jesus knew what had happened and he felt very sorry for her. (Jesus knows all about

us too!) As the two crowds of people got closer to each other, Jesus went up to the widow and spoke very kindly to her saying, "Don't cry". Then Jesus put his hand on the coffin where her son's body was lying. Everyone was amazed, they all stood very still and quiet. What was Jesus going to do?

Jesus spoke to the young man who had died. He said, "Young man, I'm telling you to get up". Would the young man be able to hear Jesus speaking? YES, he did! The widow's son not only heard, but he obeyed Jesus' voice and sat up! Then he began to talk! Everyone was so amazed; they had seen another miracle. The young man who had died was really alive again!

Only God has the power and ability to give us life, especially everlasting life with God in heaven. That's because he created/made us. No-one else can do that.



Jesus gave the son back to his mother, just imagine how wonderfully happy she must have felt, not more tears or crying now! Everyone was astonished, that is awesome. They praised God and said, "God has come to help his people."

Everyone was talking about what happened and the good news spread all around the country. The young man was dead and now he is alive!

The Lord loves to make sad people happy, especially when we are sad because we've done or said something wrong (our sin). If we tell God about it, he will forgive and help us.

Dear Lord

Thank you for making that sad widow so very happy. Help us to believe and trust you, so that we can be forgiven, helped and happy too.

Amen