



Handouts for Week of May 6, 2024- “Adam & Fallen Man”

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Mt. Tabor - “Transfiguration”





Lazarus Questions & Answers

1. What is unique about this healing? Only recorded by John (What not in other Gospels? Lazarus was still living. The miracle was well known and it might have exposed Lazarus to opposition and persecution from the Jews) Jesus waited 4 days to come and heal him. Jesus performed it before crowds of mourners. The author was present and witnessed it. Lots of tiny details.
2. Who? Mary, Martha, Lazarus (best friend), Jesus, crowds
3. What?
4. When? The week before Jesus was crucified
5. Where? Bethany near Jerusalem
6. Why did Jesus wait 4 days to come? The body would start to corrupt and it would prove that to human sense he was really dead. The spirit was believed to hang around for 3 days afterwards.
7. What statement does Jesus make to Martha? "I am the resurrection and the life. He that believeth on me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.
8. What could the stone symbolically mean? The Grave was in an underground vault, a cavern hewn in the side of a hill. Descent by 26 steps.

9. What could 'lifted up his eyes' mean?
10. What does 'Father' mean in Aramaic? Daddy
11. What was unique about Jesus' prayer? He thanked God for already having answered his prayer; transaction was already complete; he knew with absolute certainty that Lazarus had never died. No doubt; thy will be done; supreme confidence in the Father
12. What is significant about 'crying with a loud voice'? shouted in Greek: only occurs 8 times in the whole Greek Bible, six of which are in John. Four times for the shouts of the crowd to crucify Jesus. That is a contract between the crowd's shout that brings death to Jesus and Jesus' shout that brings life to Lazarus. "Lazarus, this way out!!!" Supreme demonstration of the power of God, life triumphs over death, corruption, hopelessness.
13. What symbolism does the linen strips represent? Rare Greek word. Jesus was wrapped in swaddling clothes when he was born, perhaps the clothes of material birth are burst apart with this resurrection of Lazarus. Jesus' burial garments remained in the tomb, no more use for them since he would never die again.
14. Loose him: Jesus turns to those around him, the environment, hold Lazarus in the grave, and says, Loose him and let him go. A sense of freedom.

“Mark the Perfect Man” Chart

Words in original

(shamar)

- guard, keep
- preserve, protect
- watch
- hedge around something

Mark

the

-complete (tam)
 -perfect
 -whole
 -upright in a moral sense
 Having integrity
 Sound, undefiled

perfect

Concept of man
 (the perfect concept of the Christ man)

man,

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(ra ah) -to see
 - to see intellectually with the mind
 - perceive
 - understand
 - be fully aware of
 - to be a seer or prophet

and behold

the

- that which is pleasing to God
- straight
- that which is right in his eyes, righteous in Hebrew is right thinking and right acting
- having integrity, uprightness
- does what ought to be done

upright,

(shalom)

- health, peace, tranquility
- success, salvation, soundness
- sense of well being
- unharmed, unhurt
- harmony of soul and mind, externally & internally
- completeness, harmony, fulfillment, not needing anything else

peace.

for the end of that man is

Lazarus' Tomb





Lazarus' Tomb today in Bethany



Map to Lazarus' Tomb

