Sermon Notes for May 7, 2017

The Lord of Life

Luke 7:11-17

Introduction

Where is God when we suffer?

The Scripture affirms that God is both loving and powerful.

“One thing God has spoken, two things I have heard; that you, O God are strong, and that you, O Lord, are loving.” Psalm 62:11-12

The passage we will look at today is an example of Jesus’ love and power.

I. Jesus is loving. Luke 7:11-13

Jesus left Capernaum and came to a town called Nain – not far from Nazareth.

A funeral procession was coming out of the gate.

A widow had lost her only son.

When Jesus saw her, his heart went out to her. He was moved inwardly.

Some observations:

- Jesus comes to the least of these in our world.
- Jesus enters into our suffering.
- We have a Savior who understands – a God who weeps.

II. Jesus is powerful. Luke 7:14-15

Jesus is the Lord of life and death.

Jesus went up and touched the coffin bringing the procession to a halt.

Then he said to the young man, “get up.”

Then the dead man sat up and began to speak.

That same resurrection power is at work in us.

“I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even if he dies.” John 11:25
III. Jesus will reunite all who trust in him. John 7:15-17

Jesus gave him back to his mother. Tears of sorrow became tears of joy.

They were filled with awe and praised God.

A great prophet has appeared among us.

The place where this miracle took place is near Shunem where Elisha the prophet raised the son of a Shunamite woman. II Kings 4:32-37

God has come to help his people.

This miracle is a picture of what will happen one day for all of God’s people. We will be reunited with those we love.

And in that place, we will feel more at home than we have felt anywhere else.

Conclusion

Jesus is loving.

Jesus is powerful.

Jesus will reunite all who trust in him.