Knowing Jesus Power Over Death

Text: Luke 7:11-17

Purpose: Jesus moved by compassion brings a man who has died back to life. It's a sign of His compassion toward those who suffer, but also a sign of a greater work for us in a future resurrection with Him.

Opening Question: Do you put things together with instructions or without instructions?

Read and Discuss: Luke 7:11-17

- 1. What do you think it was like to be in the first "crowd" following Jesus on their way toward Nain? Why would some have not gone with Jesus? What is the benefit of going along to watch?
- 2. What do you think it was like to be in the second "crowd" following this woman to bury her son? What does it mean to grieve? Why is grieving an important skill for Christians?
- 3. How does Jesus show compassion to this woman? When are you most moved by compassion? What does compassion look like for your life this season?
- 4. What does it tell us about Jesus that He was able to raise this man from the dead? How do these signs of God's power and authority encourage you day to day as we wait for a future hope?
- 5. What are some ways that God has reminded you of His goodness this year?