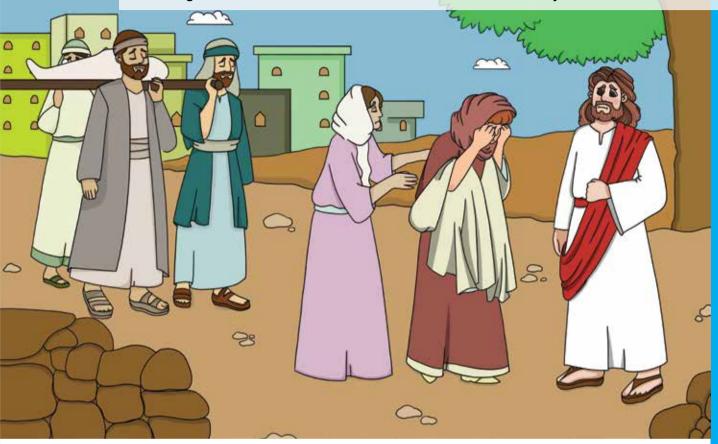


Bringing the Dead Back to Life

Jesus was very kind hearted and felt pity when He saw human suffering. He did wonders for a widow who had lost her only son.



Once, while in Nain, a city in the region called Galilee, He saw a poor woman weeping at the coffin of her only son. People gathered for her son's funeral were weeping too.

Jesus was moved to tears when He learnt the woman was a widow. She had lost her husband, and now her son. He felt pity for her and told her not to cry. Then He went near the coffin and told the young man to get up.

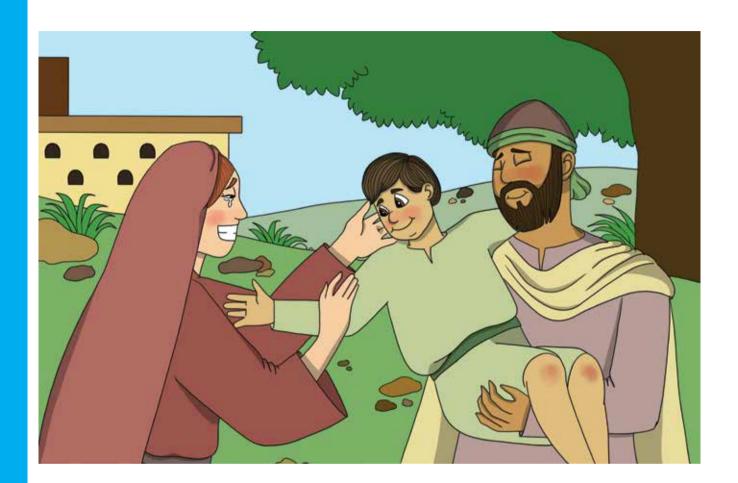
The men carrying the coffin stopped and watched as the dead son got up and Jesus gave him back to his mother, whose joy knew no bounds. The crowd gathered for the funeral saw this happen and were filled with wonder. They praised God and hailed the great prophet who had come amongst them.



Nain: This tiny Galilean village is remembered only because here Jesus brought back to life a widow's son as he was being taken out through the town gate to be buried. Luke 7: 11 - 17 Know Now: The Church of the Resurrection of the Widow's Son or simply the Church of the Son of the Widow is located in the village of Nain in northern Israel. The present church was built by the Franciscans (who took the site in 1881) on the foundations of the old church built between fourth and fifth centuries.

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Before Jesus, nobody had raised a dead person to life. News about the wonder spread throughout the region. "God has come to save his people," they said. The people began to call Jesus a Prophet, a man of God who had come to save people from even death!





When the Lord saw her, his heart was filled with pity for her, and he said to her, "Don't cry." Then he walked over and touched the coffin, and the men carrying it stopped. Jesus said, "Young man! Get up, I tell you!" The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother.





Lord, thank you for sending Jesus to save us. Give us the strength to talk to Jesus whenever we are in pain or trouble. In Jesus' name we ask. Amen.

If ever you get a chance to attend a funeral, try to be kind and compassionate to the people who have lost their loved ones. Try to be of help at such occasions





Have you been to a cemetery? Seen those tombstones? They are all our loved ones and we always say a prayer for the departed ones. Can you colour the tombstones here red and brown? And colour the flowers appropriately. After you finish, please do say a prayer for your dearly departed.

