

4th - Bible Seeds Podcast

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Intro Music - "My (Your) Father Is So Good To Me"

Hi, my name is Carl Vasta and I would like to welcome you to the Bible Seeds section here, at Understanding God's Word. This is where I get to comment on biblical readings and stories that brings the bible into what's happening to us in our daily lives.

I'll touch on such topics as Family Prayer or Why I Believe There Is A God. I'll talk about what was predicted that makes these the Terrible Times In The Last Days, or how to Have A Daily Meaningful Relationship With God.

I would like you to know how much GOD loves you. He is ready and waiting to help you. You just need to believe that He exists and has created all things and has given His Son Jesus, (the good shepherd), to bring you back to Him.

Today's topic is **"Jesus Brings Lazarus Back To Life"**

and more of the simplicity of salvation.

A friend of Jesus whose name was Lazarus was sick and about to die. The sisters of Lazarus, Martha and Mary sent word to Jesus to come and heal him, but he stayed where he was two more days saying to his disciples, ***"The final result of this sickness will not be the death of Lazarus." This happened in order to bring***

glory to God and it will be the means by which the Son of God will receive glory. All could believe that God sent his son Jesus and gave him authority over death.

Jesus told his disciples that he was going to Judea because Lazarus had fallen asleep and he was going to wake him. The disciples reminded that the people in that area wanted to stone him and if Lazarus was just sleeping, he would wake up. So Jesus told them plainly, ***“Lazarus is dead! But for your sake, I am glad that I was not with him so that you will believe.”***

Lazarus had been buried four days when Jesus had arrived and many Judeans had come to comfort Martha and Mary. When Martha heard that Jesus was there, she went out to meet him while Mary remained in the house.

Martha said to Jesus, ***“If you had been here Lord, my brother would not have died. But I know, even now God will give you whatever you ask Him for.”***

“Your brother will rise to life,” Jesus told her.

“I know,” she replied. “That he will rise to life on the last day.”

Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life.” Whoever believes in me will live even though he dies, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?”

“Yes Lord”, she answered. “I do believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God who was to come into the world.

Then Martha went back and told Mary that Jesus was asking for her. She hurried to meet him and the people who were there followed her.

She met Jesus with the same words, ***“If you had been here, my brother would not have died.”*** *And the people that followed her echoed the same words.*

Scripture says when He saw her crying and heard what she said, He wept too. But as scripture also says, **that he was troubled because of their unbelief.**

Jesus asked where Lazarus was buried and had them remove the large stone covering the cave.

Martha told Jesus that there would be a bad odor because Lazarus had been buried four days ago.

Jesus said to her, ***“Didn’t I tell you that you would see God glory if you believed?”***

Then Jesus looked up and said, ***“I thank you Father that you listen to me. I know that you always listen to me. But I say this for the sake of the people here, so that they will believe that you sent me.”***

After He said this, He called out in a loud voice, ***“Lazarus, come out.”***

He came out. His hands and his feet wrapped with straps of linen and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, ***“Take off the grave clothes and let him go.”***

This reading is found in the New Testament: *The Book of John, Chapter 11: Verses 1-44.*

Many people who saw what Jesus had done put their faith in him, and some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. The Pharisees plotted to kill Jesus and even Lazarus because they worried that the Roman authorities would take action to destroy the temple and the nation of Israel. **This reading is found in the New Testament: *The Book of John, Chapter 11: Verses 45-57.* Also found in *Matthew, Chapter 26: Verses 1-5* and *Mark, Chapter 14: Verses 1-2* and *Luke, Chapter 22: Verses 1-2.***

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You are Martha who says to Jesus, ***“Lord, why did you let my love one die? If you had been here, they would have not died.***

And Jesus might say to you, ***“I have been here for you and your loved one all your life. Whoever believes in me will live even though they die and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.”*** (*John Chapter 11: Verses 25-26*)

What can we do to insure that our loved ones will never die when their time on this Earth is finished?

We can encourage them to listen to the words of Jesus and help them to know what the bible says about our life in this world and what is waiting for us after we die.

This is why I put together these pod casts, starting with The Storyline Of The Bible, 19 easy understandable pod casts that take you from Genesis, the first book of the bible - to Revelation, the last book of the bible. And beyond that, there are The Stories And Quotes From Jesus, which will help you to strengthen your faith in God. And now I have just added these Bible Seeds; my commentary on some of these readings.

You can find all of this and print out the PDFs for Storyline Of The Bible and Quotes and Stories from Jesus. You can download the MP3s, Videos, and my original music from my website: www.carlvasta.com. Everything is free and there are no sign ups. Enjoy!

Ending

This is your host Carl Vasta and I thank you for tuning in to Bible Seeds at Understanding God's Word.

A new podcast is released every Sunday at 12:30PM Pacific Coast Time.

God bless you and your loved ones and remember..... (Song)