



**SCRIPTURE
of the DAY**

Ezekiel 37: 12-14

Psalm 129

Romans 8: 8-11

John 11: 1-45 (or 11: 3, 7,
17, 20-27, 33-45)



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"Lent is a time
of grace, a time
for conversion,
a time to come
home to God."

- St. Maximilian Kolbe

we constantly witness health deteriorating and our loved ones dying. If only Jesus was present, He could have prevented this.

By raising Lazarus from the dead, the Lord is saying this: I AM with you. I am willing to join you in your sufferings. Jesus, Emmanuel, God-With-Us, joins us not by preventing death, but by dying with us and for us. He then begins the remaking of all creation by rising from the dead.

The real miracle of the story is NOT the resuscitation of Lazarus, however impressive and important that is. Martha and Mary wanted a miracle, and they got their miracle. But the greater truth is that Jesus is not just a miracle worker, He is the resurrection and the life! Miracles are nice; but they don't solve our deepest problems. As much as we want Him to, God will not perform on cue.

Jesus Christ offers something more and definitely better. Not a nice life but a new one. He promises us not a long life but far better than that, an eternal life. He is the real miracle of the story. He is the final and ultimate answer to prayer. **He is the resurrection and the life. Not resuscitation but resurrection.** Not reversal but renewal. Jesus defeated sin, death and hell. If we believe in Him, then we will have life; eternal life. Our Lord promises this: "I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in Me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die." Then the Lord adds, "Do you believe this?" It is my hope and prayer that every one of you would get it right. "Yes Lord, I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world." AMEN! In Him, we are one! ✠

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**"In the One,
We Are One"**

The frustration felt by the sisters of Lazarus resonates with many of us. Having exhausted all medical options and in desperation, we turn to the Lord looking for some miraculous cure. And yet,