One Mother's Miracle

Luke 7:11-17

Luke 7:11 (ESV)

Soon afterward He went to a town called Nain, and His disciples and a great crowd went with Him.

Luke 7:12 (ESV)

As He drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her.

Luke 7:13 (ESV)

And when the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep."

Luke 7:14 (ESV)

Then He came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise."

Luke 7:15 (ESV)

And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother.

Luke 7:16 (ESV)

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Luke 7:17 (ESV)

And this report about Him spread through the whole of Judea and all the surrounding country.

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Exodus 22:22

You shall not mistreat any widow or fatherless child.

2. Miraculous Compassion: Jesus Felt Her Sorrow

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1 Kings 17:18 (ESV)

And she said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!"

1 Kings 17:20 (ESV)

And [Elijah] cried to the Lord, "O Lord my God, have You brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?"

Lamentations 3:32-33 (ESV)

But, though He cause grief, He will have compassion according to the abundance of His steadfast love; for He does not afflict from His heart or grieve the children of men.

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