

Introduction

Raising Lazarus was the 7th sign by Jesus in the Gospel of John

I. Power

A. Jesus performed signs of *increasing power*

B. Simple understanding of the story

II. Love

A. The love of Jesus pervades this story

B. How was visiting Bethany again a huge risk for Jesus?

C. “Can’t lose!”

III. Glory

A. Why did Jesus wait until Lazarus died?

B. What are two unusual, easy answers to suffering in John 9?

1. Guilt trip answer

2. Blame shift answer

3. How does Jesus offer a 3rd, more difficult answer?

C. “Jesus wept.” Why?

CONCLUSION

Who has enough power, love, and glory for life after death?