### **RESURRECTION - MAKE IT YOUR STORY**

Colossians 2:10 So you also are complete through your union with Christ, who is the head over every ruler and authority.:11 When you came to Christ, you were "circumcised," but not by a physical procedure. Christ performed a spiritual circumcision—the cutting away of your sinful nature.:12 For you were buried with Christ when you were baptized. And with him you were raised to new life because you trusted the mighty power of God, who raised Christ from the dead.:13 You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins.:14 He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross.:15 In this way, he disarmed the spiritual rulers and authorities. He shamed them publicly by his victory over them on the cross.

ON EASTER WE SPENT OUR TIME LIFTING UP THE LORDS ABILITY TO RAISE UP COMMUNITIES AND INDIVIDUALS! WE RECOGNIZED THAT HIS POWER WAS GREATER THAN EASTER SUNDAY BUT EVERY DAY!

Matthew 27:53 They left the cemetery after Jesus 'resurrection, went into the holy city of Jerusalem, and appeared to many people.

Ezekiel 37:3 Then he asked me, 'Son of man, can these bones become living people again?" "O Sovereign lord," I replied, 'you alone know the answer to that."

TODAY WE RECOGNIZE RESURRECTION POWER HAS BEEN WORKING AND BEEN EVIDENT THROUGHOUT THE MINISTRY OF JESUS. RESURRECTION IS NOT JUST AN EPIC EVENT IN HISTORY, IT IS THE EXPRESSION OF WHO HE IS. WATER CHANGED. FISH MULTIPLIED. DEMONS FLED. PEOPLE FOUND JUSTICE.WHEREVER HE WENT ANYTHING THAT CAUSED DEATH HAD TO BACK UP!

IT IS MY BELIEF THAT IN ORDER FOR US TO OPERATE IN EASTER'S POWER WE MUST SEE THE LIGHT OF THIS POWER IN THE INDIVIDUALS HE COMES IN CONTACT WITH. THEY DONT PLAN HIS ASSASSINATION BECAUSE OF THE FISH SANDWICHES BUT BECAUSE OF LAZARUS. IS A THREAT TO SATAN!

Romans 8:11 The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you.

John 11:25 Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even after dying.

FRANCES LIST...

FRIEND, RELATIVE, ACQUAINTANCE, NEIGHBOR, COWORKER, ENEMY, STRANGER

# 1. THE RULERS DAUGHTER -THE POWER OF INTERCESSION

Mark 5:35 While he was still speaking to her, messengers arrived from the home of Jairus, the leader of the synagogue. They told him, "Your daughter is dead. There's no use troubling the Teacher now."

YOU HAVE A FATHER THAT WILL TALK FOR YOU!!
YOU HAVE A SAVIOR THAT WONT GIVE UP ON YOU
RESURRECTION POWER OFTEN REQUIRES GREATER AGREEMENT!

Some people were asked to leave the room.....

- 1. ASSESS THE CURRENT RELATIONSHIPS
- 2. ADJUST THE CURRENT RELATIONSHIPS
- 3. ADD THE NEW RELATIONSHIPS

### 2. THE WIDOWS SON - THE POWER OF COMPASSION

Luke 7:13,14 When the Lord saw her, his heart overflowed with compassion. "Don't cry!" he said.

Then he walked over to the coffin and touched it, and the bearers stopped. "Young man," he said, "I tell you, get up."

EMPATHY RELEASES RESURRECTION POWER
PEOPLE'S PAIN MOVES GOD .....EXODUS 3
PEOPLE IN YOUR SPHERE NEED YOU TO "SEE THEM"

- 1. ASSESS THE NEEDS IN YOUR SPHERE
- 2. ASSESS YOUR CURRENT EFFECTIVENESS
- 3. ASSESS WHAT CHANGES YOU NEED TO MAKE

# 3. THE FRIEND LAZARUS - THE POWER OF HOPE IN DARK PLACES

John 11:43 – 46 Then Jesus shouted, "Lazarus, come out!" And the dead man came out, his hands and feet bound in graveclothes, his face wrapped in a headcloth. Jesus told them, "Unwrap him and let him go!" Many of the people who were with Mary believed in Jesus when they saw this happen. But some went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done.

John 11:53 So from that time on, the Jewish leaders began to plot Jesus 'death.

THE LAZARUS YOU RAISE HAS A FAMILY
THE LAZARUS YOU RAISE HAS A DESTINY
THE LAZARUS YOU RAISE HAS A TESTIMONY

### YOU HAVE DEAD STUFF THAT'S HOPELESS

John 12:9 When all the people heard of Jesus 'arrival, they flocked to see him and also to see Lazarus, the man Jesus had raised from the dead.:10 Then the leading priests decided to kill Lazarus, too,

Colossians 2:14 He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross.:15 In this way, he disarmed the spiritual rulers and authorities. He shamed them publicly by his victory over them on the cross.

- 1. WHAT WERE THE DARK PLACES HE BROUGHT YOU OUT OF?
- 2. WHICH DARK PLACE ARE YOU STILL IN?
- 3. WHO DO YOU KNOW THAT'S IN A DARK PLACE?

#### **HOMEWORK**

### CHANGING WHO IS "IN THE ROOM"

- 1. ASSESS THE CURRENT RELATIONSHIPS
- 2. ADJUST THE CURRENT RELATIONSHIPS
- 3. ADD THE NEW RELATIONSHIPS

#### ASSESS THE PEOPLE WHO NEED YOU

- 1. ASSESS THE NEEDS IN YOUR SPHERE
- 2. ASSESS YOUR CURRENT EFFECTIVENESS
- 3. ASSESS WHAT CHANGES YOU NEED TO MAKE TO BECOME MORE INFLUENTIAL

## YOU HAVE DEAD STUFF THAT'S HOPELESS

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