



OCTOBER THEME



"I AM"

Week Four – *"I AM the Resurrection and the Life"*

Monday ~ **READ**

READ John 8:58 and John 11:21-27 in several translations/paraphrases of Scripture.

*You may want to read all of John 11. *www.Biblegateway.com is a great place to view varied translations and paraphrases of Scripture

Tuesday ~ **COPY**

COPY John 8:58 and John 11:21-27 in your preferred translation or paraphrase.

Wednesday ~ **PONDER**

*Take note, there is such richness in what Jesus speaks to Martha in these verses. Martha's understanding of the resurrection is one dimensional and physical/future focused. But, Jesus' identity as the *'Resurrection and the Life'* is multidimensional and is both present & future focused. He specifically allowed Lazarus to die so that He could reveal this glory about Himself and bring his family/friends to the reality of belief in WHO He is. (see vs 14-15)

- Consider these definitions from the original language in these verses and after pondering them, reread the verses again with these in mind: *'resurrection'* – rising up, raising, *'life'* – the absolute fullness of genuine life, essential and ethical, *'believes'* – trusts, is convinced, *'live'* – be among the living in fresh full vigor, efficient, active and powerful, *'dies'* – natural death of a man
- Jesus is speaking to Martha about more than raising up physical bodies from the dead, He is speaking of that, but also is speaking of raising up life as a whole to an elevation far above what we have ever known. And this affects everything, both physical and spirit and soul too, for the present and for the future. He is the Resurrection and the Life, the only ONE Who can resurrect and give life! Understanding this, ponder:
 - Do you *'believe'* in Jesus for resurrection in your life in every way, or are you settling to live in *'death'* and fear of physical death?
 - How have you already experienced Jesus' resurrection and life?
 - What *'death'* do you still need Jesus to resurrect and give life to?
 - Do you live like you will *'never die?'* Journal your thoughts.

Thursday ~ **PRAY**

PRAY Use the prompts below to pray into the Truths of John 11:21-27.

- PRAISE JESUS as the *Resurrection and the Life*
- ASK JESUS to illumine His Word to you and to give you vision of what it means both now/in the future.
- ASK JESUS to resurrect any *'death'* that you are living in now.
- TALK TO JESUS about any fear you have of physical death.
- DECLARE that Jesus is the *Resurrection and the Life* for your present and future.

Friday ~ **LISTEN**

LISTEN to a message on John 11:21-27 on our YouTube Channel, *Established Footsteps Ministry*.

*The video will be posted by Friday and the link will be sent to you via email.

Saturday ~ **SHARE**

SHARE with a friend about the blessing of living in the resurrection!