When Jesus Sees Your Need

Miraculous, Week Three

We often feel that our pain goes unnoticed in God's eyes, but Jesus is well aware of all of our suffering and comes to walk beside us in the middle of it.

How does Jesus respond to that? Let's look at a miracle in Jesus' ministry that teaches us how he responds to the pain and need of people who encounter him...

Luke 7:11-17 NLT

[11] Soon afterward Jesus went with his disciples to the village of Nain, and a large crowd followed him. [12] A funeral procession was coming out as he approached the village gate. The young man who had died was a widow's only son, and a large crowd from the village was with her. [13] When the Lord saw her, his heart overflowed with compassion. "Don't cry!" he said. [14] Then he walked over to the coffin and touched it, and the bearers stopped. "Young man," he said, "I tell you, get up." [15] Then the dead boy sat up and began to talk! And Jesus gave him back to his mother. [16] Great fear swept the crowd, and they praised God, saying, "A mighty prophet has risen among us," and "God has visited his people today." [17] And the news about Jesus spread throughout Judea and the surrounding countryside.

THREE WAYS JESUS RESPONDS TO YOUR BROKENNESS

1. Jesus sees your need.

Ever feel invisible?
Most of us do. Maybe just sometimes. Maybe all the time.

Jesus sees you. He notices you. He knows everything about you.
2. **Jesus feels your pain.**

Sympathy is feeling pain *for* someone.
Empathy is feeling pain *with* someone.
Jesus offers us both!

**Hebrews 4:14-15 MSG**
We don’t have a priest who is out of touch with our reality. He’s been through weakness and testing, experienced it all—all but the sin. So let’s walk right up to him and get what he is so ready to give. Take the mercy, accept the help.

3. **Jesus acts on your behalf.**

And what exactly did Jesus do? The same thing he did everywhere else he went…

- He gives a look.
- He gives a word.
- He gives a touch.

He also created **the ultimate model of ministry**.
This is something **YOU** can do for others!

You may not be able to work miracles on demand, but…

- **you can see people in their pain,**
- **you can feel their pain with them, and**
- **you can give people a look, a word, and a touch.**

Maybe you need to meet Jesus today and let him give you a look, a word, or a touch. And maybe you know someone who needs that from you.