I Am the Resurrection and the Life

John 11:17-27

John wrote his gospel, "so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name." (John 20:31) In the last two messages we saw that believing in Jesus means we trust in the integrity of all His bold claims and the evidence of His gracious power and works. We also saw the connection Jesus clearly makes between our faith and the glory of God. Today we see how faith is grounded in the resurrection of Jesus.

Understanding History

The resurrection of Jesus is the focal point of history

Center of the Gospel of John and its turning point

Cross and resurrection are inextricably tied together

Experiencing Death

Certainty of death (exception of Enoch and Elijah)

Universally shared experienced

Additional reality of spiritual death (Ephesians 2)

Completing Our Faith

We grow in our understanding and experience of faith

Martha believed Jesus could do miracles embraced His divinity trusted that life is in Jesus

Believing into Jesus (the nuance of the preposition)

Living in Jesus

More than living forever – into God's glory (Romans 8)

Hope grounded in the resurrection (1 Corinthians 15)

Resurrection power to help us (Philippians 3)