

Dead Lad Walking

CHARACTERS: Narrator, JESUS, disciples, dead boy, mother, crowd.

PROPS: none

SETTING: A street in Nain

SCRIPTURE/BASED ON: Luke 7:11-17

FK reading level: 6.6

NARRATOR: Jesus and his disciples were headed to Nain. The disciples were all trying to walk on Jesus right and left so there was allot of jostling going on. The ones who couldn't be next to Jesus were trying to be first. Jesus would straighten them out later about this behavior but today their bad behavior was interrupted when another sizable crowd was coming toward them. The people in the crowd were carrying a dead body and weeping and wailing because this lad had died. He was the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. She was the loudest of all wailing, "My only son has died and I'm a widow".

MOTHER: My only son has died and I am a widow!

NARRATOR: Jesus went up to the crowd and everyone got quiet. Jesus felt compassion for the widow and said to "Do not weep".

JESUS: Do not weep.

NARRATOR: Jesus touched the coffin and said, "Young man, I say to you, arise!"

JESUS: Young man, I say to you, arise!

NARRATOR: The dead lad sat up and began to speak but no one knew what he said because the dead lad's crowd started shouting "A great prophet has arisen among us!"

CROWD: A great prophet has arisen among us!

NARRATOR: Then the disciples shouted "God has visited His people!"

DISCIPLES: God has visited His people!

NARRATOR: The dead lad's crowd did it again, only louder.

CROWD: A great prophet has arisen among us!

NARRATOR: Then the disciples tried to outdo them.

DISCIPLES: God has visited His people!

NARRATOR: and again (*motion to crowd, then to disciples*)

CROWD: A great prophet has arisen among us!

DISCIPLES: God has visited His people!

NARRATOR: Finally the dead lad and his mother hugged, the people quieted down and everyone went home or with Jesus.