

...and she was a widow

*It's Mother's Day. It's a story about a mother, but it's not **just** for mothers.*

Luke 7:11–17 (ESV)

On Sunday, Pastor Paul talked about the comparisons and contrasts that Luke incorporates into his stories. Read through the story and see how many comparisons and contrasts you can find.

- Two crowds
- Both crowds are heading for the gate
- Both crowds are focused on a single individual
- ...others?

Jesus sees (v13)...

1. Jesus sees you! How does that truth make you feel? Why do you think that is your response to this truth?
2. Can you think of people who are “invisible” to you in your church family?
3. How might Christ be inviting you to respond?

Jesus showed compassion (v13)...

1. Do you know of anyone who needs compassion? Do you know anyone who needs to experience the touch of Jesus?
2. What might it look like for you to show compassion to that individual?

If you are doing this as a group perhaps your group can think of a way that you can collectively show compassion to someone. HINT: Give yourself a deadline and do it!

Maybe you are the one who needs a touch from Jesus.

3. When you think of a touch from Jesus, what would that look like for you? What specifically are you asking Jesus to do?

Jesus restored (v15)...

1. Is there perhaps an area in your life that Christ has restored but you are too frightened to “live”? What would it look like for you to “rise” in that area?