





A Long “Luke” at the Book of Acts  
 “Better Than a Dream”  
 Luke 7:11-17



A Study on the  
 Biblical Works of Luke  
 Luke 1:1 - Acts 28:31  
 2024-2025



**Luke 7:13b-15**

“Don’t cry!” he said. Then he walked over to the coffin and touched it, and the bearers stopped. “Young man,” he said, “I tell you, get up.” Then the dead boy sat up and began to talk! And Jesus gave him back to his mother. **NLT**

You know what I love about Jesus? Among other things, he has a unique ability to subvert our expectations, but in a very good way. I’ve made it clear that I’m a huge fan of movies - all movies, really, but I’m particularly drawn to action movies with characters that are familiar to me. One thing I’ve noticed in recent movies with recognizable characters is that writers will often try to surprise us with what a character does, trying to “subvert expectations” of the audience, because they think we’ll naturally assume that a hero is going to try to save the day, or something like that. Thing is, I want a hero to save the day! That’s why I bought the ticket, so when he doesn’t, sure, my expectations are subverted, but I’m not a happy movie-goer. Jesus, though, has a unique way of flipping the script and keeping me guessing and it’s always a good thing. When he encounters a funeral procession, you might expect that he’d stop, bow his head, maybe say a few words of comfort, instead, he reaches into the coffin and pulls the deceased man back to life! That’s someone worth keeping your eyes on. But why do you think Jesus does things like this? There must be a reason, right? Come join us Sunday and we’ll explore that question!

-Zach, your Friendly Neighborhood Lead Pastor

**Sermon Cheat Sheet**

*Sermon in a Sentence*

“Resurrection is more than just a \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.”

**Luke 7:11-17**

*It’s All Greek to Me!*  
 “kainos” - something new, superior to old  
 “pisteuo” - believe, commit, trust, try out

**Mark 16:16**

**Revelation 21:1-7**

*Something Worth Noting*

“\_\_\_\_\_ is possible only for those who \_\_\_\_\_”

**Ephesians 2:8-10**

“\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ will resemble the \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_”

# Prayer Requests

Larry Clark  
Donna Parrett  
Ruth Harrison  
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Ron Scott

Marcia Clark  
Mona Nichols  
Mike Miracle  
Myrna Carlson  
Terry Scott

Lawrence Johnson  
Eddie Kerr  
Stephen LaFollette  
Teresa Scott

**\*\*A long-term prayer list with updates can be found in the foyer.**



## Vitals for January 19

Weekly Need: \$3,200.  
Actual Given: \$ 3775  
Sunday School - 25  
Morning Service - 60

### 3 easy ways to give:

- 'Tithes & Offerings' box in the lobby
- [newheightsconnersville.com/giving](http://newheightsconnersville.com/giving)
- Mail to the church office

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## January is National Sanctity of Life month

WEBSTERS DICTIONARY:  
**SANCTITY**  
SANC'TITY, NOUN [LATIN SANC'TITAS]  
1. HOLINESS; STATE OF BEING SACROED  
OR HOLY.

**Glory to God**  
*the Creator of Life.*

Praise and glory to God our Father,  
for His creation is splendid and beautiful.

JOIN US FOR FUN, FOOD  
& FELLOWSHIP!  
3RD -12TH GRADES  
SUNDAY  
EVENINGS  
6 - 8 PM



Worship Fellowship



*Souper*  
Bowl  
Sunday

NHCC 2nd Annual  
Chili & Soup  
Cookoff  
Sunday, February 9th  
@ 5:00 pm

Sign up in the Cafe to enter.

3 Available Categories:

- Chili
- Miscellaneous Soup
- Desserts



### MARK YOUR CALENDERS

Upcoming events

- Feb. 7-9** Little Valley/ Journey Winter Retreat  
3Rd-6th  
Deans: Darick Toffelmire & Brandee Biekman
- Feb. 14-16** The Well winter Retreat  
9th-12th  
Deans: Spencer and Courtney Roberts & Jenna Schnitker
- Mar. 7-8** elevate winter Retreat  
7th & 8th  
Dean: Tim Kelley



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Jesus in all of  
**Genesis**

Bible Study  
Thursdays at 6:00 pm

