2015 "The Jesus Year"

Who Do You Think You Are??

The "I Am" Statements Of Jesus (Part #8)

"I Am The Resurrection And The Life!"

*Last Week Was All About The <u>Bread</u>... Today Is All About The <u>Possibilities!</u>

John 11:1-27

A man named Lazarus was sick. He lived in Bethany with his sisters, Mary and Martha. ²This is the Mary who later poured the expensive perfume on the Lord's feet and wiped them with her hair. Her brother, Lazarus, was sick. ³So the two sisters sent a message to Jesus telling him, "Lord, your dear friend is very sick." ⁴But when Jesus heard about it he said, "Lazarus's sickness will not end in death. No, it happened for the glory of God so that the Son of God will receive glory from this." 5So although Jesus loved Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, ⁶he stayed where he was for the next two days. ⁷Finally, he said to his disciples, "Let's go back to Judea."... ¹¹Then he said, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but now I will go and wake him up." ¹²The disciples said, "Lord, if he is sleeping, he will soon get better!" ¹³They thought Jesus meant Lazarus was simply sleeping, but Jesus meant Lazarus had died. ¹⁴So he told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. ¹⁵And for your sakes, I'm glad I wasn't there, for now you will really believe. Come, let's go see him."

*We All Want The <u>Resurrection</u>... None Of Us Want The Death!

¹⁶Thomas, nicknamed the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let's go, too—and die with Jesus." ¹⁷When Jesus arrived at Bethany, he was told that Lazarus had already been in his grave for four days. ¹⁸Bethany was only a few miles down the road from Jerusalem, ¹⁹and many of the people had come to console Martha and Mary in their loss. ²⁰When Martha got word that Jesus was coming, she

went to meet him. But Mary stayed in the house. ²¹Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if only you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask."

*Do You Want <u>Resuscitation</u> (The Way Things <u>Used</u> To Be) Or Do You Want <u>Resurrection</u> (<u>New Life</u>)?

²³Jesus told her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴"Yes," Martha said, "he will rise when everyone else rises, at the last day." ²⁵Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even after dying. ²⁶Everyone who lives in me and believes in me will never ever die.

*The One Who Is The Resurrection & The Life Works On Both Sides Of The Grave!

Do you believe this, Martha?" ²⁷v"Yes, Lord," she told him. "I have always believed you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who has come into the world from God."

Jesus Didn't Say "I Can Give You Resurrection And Life"...He Said, "I Am The Resurrection And The Life!"

*Do You <u>Believe</u> In The Resurrection And The Life?

Romans 6:4 & 8:28; 2 Corinthians 5:17; 1 Peter 1:3-4; 1 John 5:11-12; 1 Corinthians 15:42-44 & 51-58

This Week's Verse To Memorize... John 11:25

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