



Sermon Notes

Lazarus Series – It's Not Over Until It's Over
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We are called to resist focusing on what is seen.

Hebrews 11:1

Faith in Action

¹ Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.

We lie to God in prayer if we don't trust Him after prayer.

Faith is taking God at His word.

Faith is knowledge that is acted on.

Knowledge is not the same as trust.

Both faith and fear involve expectation.

Faith expects God to move – fear expects the enemy to move.

Faith and fear cannot coexist.

Romans 8:24

²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have?

When we operate in faith and hope, God can take us out the ordinary and into His extraordinary!

Faith and hope mean relying on God with steadfast confidence.

God is calling us to be unwavering in our faith and hope in Him. He is about to do something extraordinary, and we must pull ourselves out the ordinary or we will miss it!

Nothing is over until God says it's over.

Romans 4:17

¹⁷ ...the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were not.

Nothing is dead until God says it's dead.

The God who creates out of nothing - can do anything!



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John 11:1-14

¹ Now a man named Lazarus was sick. He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ² (This Mary, whose brother Lazarus now lay sick, was the same one who poured perfume on the Lord and wiped his feet with her hair.) ³ So the sisters sent word to Jesus, "Lord, the one you love is sick."

⁴ When he heard this, Jesus said, "This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God's glory so that God's Son may be glorified through it." ⁵ Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. ⁶ So when he heard that Lazarus was sick, he stayed where he was two more days, ⁷ and then he said to his disciples, "Let us go back to Judea."

⁸ "But Rabbi," they said, "a short while ago the Jews there tried to stone you, and yet you are going back?"

⁹ Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Anyone who walks in the daytime will not stumble, for they see by this world's light. ¹⁰ It is when a person walks at night that they stumble, for they have no light."

¹¹ After he had said this, he went on to tell them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep; but I am going there to wake him up."

¹² His disciples replied, "Lord, if he sleeps, he will get better." ¹³ Jesus had been speaking of his death, but his disciples thought he meant natural sleep.

¹⁴ So then he told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead, ¹⁵ and for your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him."

Jesus didn't operate in the natural realm.

This will not end in death!

1 Corinthians 2:9

⁹ However, as it is written:

"What no eye has seen,
what no ear has heard,
and what no human mind has conceived"—
the things God has prepared for those who love him

God isn't preparing my miracle for me, He's preparing me for my miracle.

God is glorified when He resurrects something in our lives!

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God, do a miracle in my life.

God, be glorified by this miracle, so the world will know You.

Lord, I commit to faith and hope in You.

Take me out the ordinary and into Your extraordinary!

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