**7 I AM Statements of Jesus**

**I AM The Resurrection and the Life.**

**John 11:17-27**

**Recap:**

* **I AM The Bread of Life (John 6:22-59)**
* **I AM The Light of the World (John 8:12-30)**
* **I AM The Door/Gate (John 10:1-10)**
* **I AM The Good Shepherd (John 10:11-20)**
* **I AM The Vine (John 15:1-17)**
  + **Abide in Jesus**
  + **Jesus Points to 2 Types Branches**
  + **Not Everyone who claims to be connected to Jesus is a Genuine Believer**
  + **There are Two Kinds of Fruit**

**Intro:**

* **John 11:17-27**
* **Summarize the Story of Lazarus up to this point (Jesus if you really Love Me):**
  + **Why didn’t you show up when…?**
  + **Where were you when?**
  + **How can I trust you after…?**
* **John 11:5-6, 16, 21, 32**
* **Central Question: Believe What? Sometimes we need to let the story play out so you can believe.**
* **Timothy Keller in his Sermon after 9/11 said there are four things Jesus wants us to hang on?**
  + **Tears (John 11:35)**
  + **Anger (John 11:33): He got Indignant (Deeply Moved in Greek)**
  + **Truth (John 11:25-26): Jesus Christ is not giving us consolation. He is giving us Resurrection.**
  + **Grace: For us not to die Jesus had to die for us. Jesus broke up our funeral by starting his own.**
  + **Jesus can be the resurrection for me because he first became death for me.**
  + **John 11:15**
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* **What does it mean for us that Jesus is the resurrection and the life?**

1. **The Claim of Jesus**
   1. **I AM: Exodus 3:14, emphasizing his divine identity and echoing God’s Declaration**
   2. **“Resurrection and Life”** 
      1. **Resurrection- Victory over death, promise of eternal life.**
      2. **Life- Abundant, spiritual life in the present and future.**
   3. **Jesus does not just give resurrection and life; He is resurrection and life.**
2. **The Power of Jesus**
   1. **The Raising of Lazarus**
   2. **Own Resurrection (Matthew 28:1-10)**
   3. **John 3:16: The Transformative Power of faith in Jesus for eternal life.**
3. **The Promise of Jesus** 
   1. **Eternal Life for Believers**
   2. **Living Hope Now: The assurance of Jesus’ presence and power in our lives today (Romans 8:38-39)**
   3. **Call to trust in Jesus as the source of hope and salvation.**

**Conclusion:**

* **John 11:53**
  + **Less than two weeks Jesus was put to death. Turning point of John. His march to the cross.**
  + **Not an accident that John tied the two together. He shows us that breaking up Lazarus Funeral, Jesus had to commence his own.**
  + **Jesus can be the resurrection for us because he first became the death for us.**
* **John 11:26**
  + **“Do you believe this?”**
  + **Reflect on your own faith. How are you doing?**
* **John 1:12**