

EMERGE

Session 3



'Remove the grave clothes'

John 11:38-44

UP: Introduction

- Have you ever been lost in a place and not known the way out?
- What happened How did you find the way out?

IN: Explore

READ: John 11:38-44

In this passage Jesus calls Lazarus out of death to life. Last week we looked at what Jesus did, this week we look at how Lazarus responded. 3 elements strike me:

1. *Lazarus physically responded to the call - he actually moved!*
2. *However, remnants of death still clung to him... He was now alive, but there was still things to remove*
3. *He needed others to help him in the removal of these things*

Have you ever heard the call of Jesus?(*this does not have to be hearing a literal voice - could be a verse, a sermon, a thought, feeling, picture etc*)

How did you respond? What was the outcome? What new opportunity happened as a result?

During the last few months - are there things in your life that you have been made aware of that are like the 'grave clothes' - things you now want to leave behind? What are they?

Lazarus needed others to help remove those things that still clung to him from the grave. Who do you need alongside you to help remove those things in your life that you have identified above?

OUT: Impact

Take some time to pray for one another - are any of you challenged to remove things from your life?

Pray into these areas

Are there others that you can offer support to - as they step out of a place of loss and into a place of life?