

Series: “Outflow: outward-focused living in a self-focused world”

Sermon: “Come to the Party”

Text: Luke 7:12-16 (NKJV)

Luke 7:12-16 ¹²“And when He came near the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother; and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the city was with her. ¹³When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, ‘Do not weep.’ ¹⁴Then Jesus came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, ‘Young man, I say to you, arise.’ ¹⁵So he who was dead sat up and began to speak. And He presented him to his mother. ¹⁶Then fear came upon all, and they glorified God, saying, ‘A great prophet has risen up among us,’ and, ‘God has visited His people.’” (NKJV)

1. Jesus Turns Into

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- A. _____ experiences loss and tragedy in life.
- B. The Gospel becomes _____ news to us when it is connected with the _____ news in our lives.

2. Jesus Turns Into Overflowing Life

John 10:10 “The thief comes to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.” (NKJV)

- A. The _____ wants to rob you of the joy that God created you to experience.
- B. Jesus came to give you _____ life than the thief could ever steal from you.

John 4:13-15 ¹³“Jesus answered, ‘Everyone who drinks this water will get thirsty again. ¹⁴But no one who drinks the water I give will ever be thirsty again. The water I give is like a flowing fountain that gives eternal life.’ ¹⁵The woman replied, ‘Sir, please give me a drink of that water! Then I won’t get thirsty and have to come to this well again.’” (Contemporary English Version)

3. Jesus Turns Self-Focused Lives

- A. In order to have an _____ there must first be an _____.
- B. Unless Jesus fills us up, we are all _____.

Acts 1:8 “You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” (NKJV)

John 15:5 “I am the vine, you are the branches... without Me you can do nothing.” (NKJV)

