

**The Miracles of Jesus**  
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*Miracle: "A Happening with Which Human Reasoning Has Yet To Catch Up."*

-Dr. William Augustus Jones

- **John 11:17-22**

Bethany was about 2 miles from Jerusalem. Many of the Jews walked from Jerusalem to Bethany. Apparently, they were a prominent family in Bethany and were well known in Jerusalem. Upon hearing of the death of Lazarus, a number of people came to express their condolence. When Martha was told that Jesus was nearby, she rushed out of the house to meet Him. She was disappointed that Jesus did not come when they sent for Him. However; she makes a faith statement, *"Even now, I know that whatever you ask God, He will give you."*

- **John 11:23-27**

Martha believed in a resurrection. Though Jesus had not died, nor had He risen, she believed from the prophecy of the Old Testament that in the future there would be a resurrection. However, Jesus wanted her to know that He was the resurrection and the life. If we have Jesus, we have life. **"He that believeth in me, though he were dead,"** is referring to spiritual death. Though a person is spiritually dead, **"yet shall he live."** Whoever trusts God shall never die.

Jesus says to Martha, **"Don't you know that I am the resurrection and the life."** If we have Jesus, we have life.

Life begins the moment a person accepts Jesus Christ as personal Saviour and Lord. Jesus wanted Martha to believe this truth. Martha responded by acknowledging that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

- **Matthew 16:16**

- **John 11:28-32**

After Martha's conversation with Jesus, she returned to her home and told Mary that Jesus had come and wanted to see her. Mary had stayed home while Martha went out to meet Jesus. When Mary learned that Jesus had come, she rushed outside to greet Him. The Jews, who had to come to their home to sit with them in their grief, thought Mary was going to the grave of Lazarus to weep. So, they followed her. To their surprise, Mary was on her way to see Jesus. Upon seeing Jesus, Mary expressed the sentiment of Martha, **"If You had been here my brother would not have died."**

- **John 14:16-18**

- **John 16:7**

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