

WIDOW OF NAIN

- You can read about the Widow of Nain in Luke 7:11-17 or listen [here](#).
- Nain means green pastures /lovely.
- The Widow of Nain has lost her only son.
- When Jesus sees her his heart goes out to her.
- Jesus steps up and touches the funeral bier, making himself ritually unclean.
- Jesus tells the young man to get up - which he does.
- The people said "God has come to help his people."



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REFLECT

- You might like to read Matthew 7:11-17 1 once more and pause at a word or phrase that strikes you.
- Meditate over this word or phrase with God until you come to a point of stillness.
- What do you sense God's invitation to you might be and how do you want to respond?
- As you finish your time of prayer what do you want to give thanks for?
- What God has to teach you through the story of this woman?
- You might like to close your time of prayer by praying the Lord's Prayer.



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- At some point this week you might like to pray practically with the narrative of the widow of Nain.
- You could do this through collage, poetry, bible art journalling, or another creative approach.
- You might to read Ecclesiastes 3 and Revelation 21
 - What is your heart mourning?
 - What does it mean to you to have eternity in your heart? (Ecclesiastes 3:11)
 - What does God's bigger story mean to you?
 - You might like to express some of this in some form poetry.



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I am
a member
of a very small group
A widow who has lost her only son.
But I did not live in a pleasant town
Of green pastures.

For all its beauty, I lived in a city.

And Jesus was not there
as he was for her.
Jesus did not step up and,
touching the bier, say
get up and walk.

I neither understand
nor comprehend

I mourn,

I hope

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