

# Luke 7:11

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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## Analysis

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**And it came to pass the day after, that he went into a city called Nain; and many of his disciples went with him, and much people.** The phrase *en tō hexēs* (ἐν τῷ ἑξῆς, on the next [day]) marks the temporal connection—immediately after demonstrating authority over disease, Jesus reveals authority over death itself. Nain (Ναΐν, likely from Hebrew 'pleasant') was a small village, yet it witnessed one of Scripture's three recorded resurrections performed by Jesus (the others: Jairus's daughter, Lazarus).

Luke emphasizes the crowd: *ochlós polys* (ὄχλος πολὺς, a great crowd). This ensured numerous witnesses to the coming miracle. The progression is deliberate: faith of a Gentile centurion (verses 1-10), then compassion toward a Jewish widow (verses 11-17)—demonstrating Christ's mission to all people, and His authority over sickness and death.

## Historical Context

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Nain was a small village about 25 miles southwest of Capernaum, near Mount Tabor. First-century funeral processions left from the city gate, as burial occurred outside city walls. The timing of Jesus' arrival at the precise moment of the funeral procession demonstrates divine providence.

## Related Passages

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**Psalm 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

## Study Questions

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1. How does the immediate sequence from healing to resurrection reveal the progressive unveiling of Christ's divine authority?
2. What does Jesus' deliberate journey to Nain teach about His intentional compassion toward those in desperate need?
3. How should the presence of many witnesses encourage confidence in the historical reality of Jesus' miracles?

## Interlinear Text

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καὶ	ἐγένετο	ἐν	τῇ	ἐξῆς	ἐπορεύετο	εἰς	πόλιν
And	it came to pass	G1722	G3588	the day after	that he went	into	a city
G2532	G1096			G1836	G4198	G1519	G4172
καλουμένην	Ναΐν	καὶ	συνεπορεύοντο	αὐτοῦ	οἱ	μαθηταὶ	
called	Nain	And	went with	him	G3588	disciples	
G2564	G3484	G2532	G4848	G846		G3101	
αὐτοῦ	ἱκανοὶ,	καὶ	ὄχλος	πολύς			
him	many	And	people	much			
G846	G2425	G2532	G3793	G4183			

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