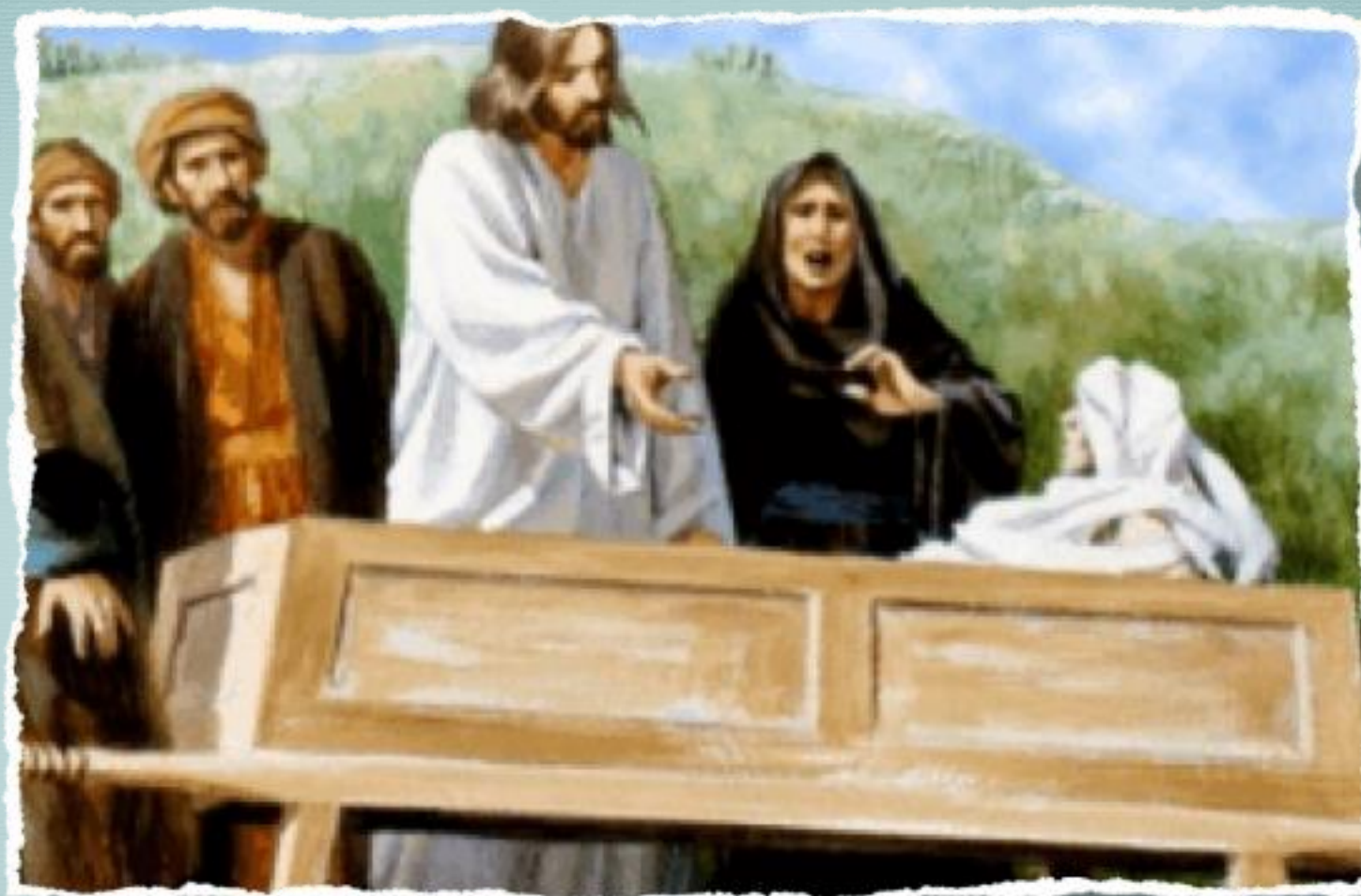




“Now it happened, the day after, that He went into a city called Nain; and many of His disciples went with Him, and a large crowd.” (Lk. 7:11)

Raising of the Widow's Son: The Mystery of our Salvation

- * Why did the Lord Christ choose to raise this boy from the dead?
- * To reveal to us the mystery of our salvation

The City

- * **“Now it happened, the day after, that He went into a city called Nain...” (Lk. 7:11)**
- * **Nain = beautiful**
- * **“Then fear came upon all, and they glorified God, saying, 'A great prophet has risen up among us'; and, 'God has visited His people.' (Lk. 7:16)**

The City

- * Where did the widow's son and the Virgin's son meet?
- * At the Gate



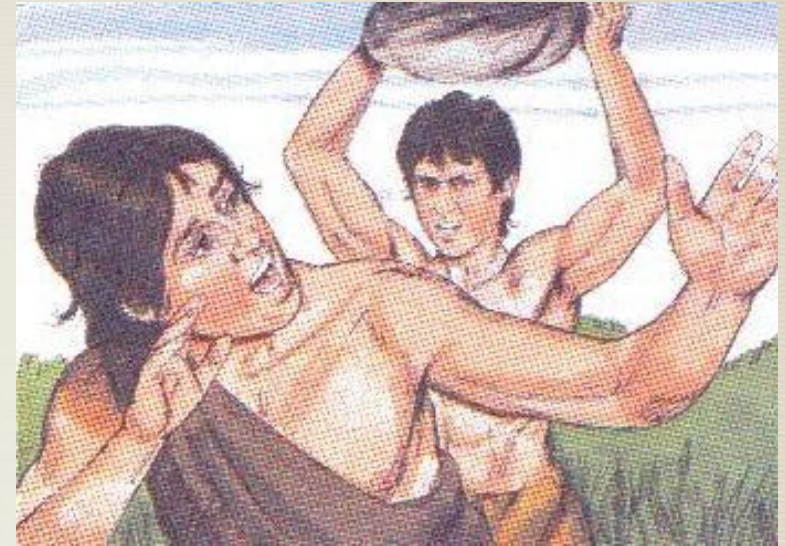
The Woman

- * Widow = woman
- * **“She shall be called Woman, Because she was taken out of Man.”** (Gen. 2:23)
- * Her name was changed to Eve
 - * mother of all living creatures
 - * Eve = Life-giver
- * Prophecy of St. Mary
 - * *“Hail to you Mary: the rejoicing of Eve: Hail to you Mary: the joy of all generations.”* (Midnight Psalmody)

The Son

- * Abel

- * Humanity



- * The Lord gave the widow's son two things:

- * *“Given for us for **salvation** and **remission of sins**, and eternal life to those who partake of Him.”*
(Liturgy of St. Basil)

Lessons

1. Humanity is fragile
2. The Lord Christ came to give life without invitation
3. However long a person has been dead Christ Jesus the Lord can raise them up
4. God's compassion extends to all
5. The Lord Christ came to take our death and give us His life