Jesus Christ – The Provider – Luke 7:11-17

- I. Jesus Encounters the Destitute (11-12) (two crowds met)
 - A. A Widow's only son had died (12)
 - 1. As a Widow she had no source of income
 - 2. Her Sons were to care for her
 - 3. Now she was left with nothing
 - B. A Crowd grieved with Her (12)
 - 1. A group of mourners was a custom in those days
 - 2. In fact, there were professionals who did it for money
 - 3. Like today, there is only so much help they can give
 - 4. All they can do is follow along and weep
- II Jesus Relieves the Destitute (13-15)
 - A. Jesus stopped the procession (13-14)
 - Most would have simply fell into the line of mourners
 - 1. Jesus told her to stop weeping (13)
 - 2. Jesus halted the ceremony (14)
 - the mourners would have been like "what does he think he is doing?"
 - B. Jesus Provided for the Widow (14b-15)
 - 1. Jesus spoke life into the man
 - 2. Jesus gave him back to his mother
 - she was no longer destitute
 - her son would be her provider