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JESUS IS THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE

John 11:1-44



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Over the next eight weeks we are going to be getting to know Jesus by reading portions of the Gospel of John.

The Gospel of John is a biography of the life of Jesus. Often, biographies start with information about someone's birth. Instead of that, John chooses to introduce Jesus by focusing on some of the more spiritual aspects of his life, rather than on his birth as a human baby on earth.

This series builds on the six I AM statements Jesus makes in the Gospel of John to explore how Jesus is the one that can bring security, satisfaction, community, freedom and life to those who believe in him.

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a. Glossary of Bible Words



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READ

John 11:1-44

REFLECT + RESPOND

- John 15:1-17

What is this story about?

Jesus appears to say two contradictory things about Lazarus' sickness in verse 4 and verses 11-14.

What are they?

What do you think he is talking about?

Do you think Jesus will be able to wake Lazarus from his "sleep"?

What is the point of Lazarus' sickness?

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By the time Jesus arrives in Bethany Lazarus has been dead for four days, but both his sisters say the same thing to Jesus.

What does what they say tell you about who they think Jesus is?

Jesus announces himself as the resurrection and the life. What does he mean?

Are you interested in a future where you never die?

How can you access eternal life?

Do you believe this?

Did you notice that Jesus wept over the death of Lazarus? It is right and normal for us to be sad about death. It is one thing that we can have certainty about in this life – we will die, and Jesus is the only one who has any power to change that.

- John 11:38-44

When Jesus reaches Lazarus' tomb, he asks for the stone to be moved. Martha helpfully points out that it will be stinky because there's been a dead body inside for a few days, but Jesus insists.

Jesus doesn't seem worried about the stench of dead body inside the sealed tomb. Why do you think this is?

What happens to Lazarus?

What does this tell you about Jesus?

What will happen to Lazarus now?

WRAP UP

What questions do you have about what we've read this week?



Do you believe Jesus is the resurrection and the life?

If you are comfortable, share your answer with the group.

券I BELIEVE JESUS IS...



PRAY

Finish up by closing in prayer.

You might pray:

- Thanking God for the gift of life found in Jesus.
- For each member of the group to grow in their knowledge of God.



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