



Easter I April 10, 2022
Worship Service
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ALTERED: Encounters with Jesus

Lesson Seven • John 11:1-44
A Dead Man Rises

The Reality of Death

Death is a reality no one can escape;
death looms over each us like a shadow.

Two Sisters, a Dead Brother, and Jesus

This encounter shows that Jesus TRIUMPHS over death
to provide life for all who believe in Him.

*"I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live."
John 11:25*

Mary & Martha Encounter Jesus

1. When Plans Fail, Jesus Still LOVES Us!

Mary & Martha's Plan

If we tell Jesus Lazarus is sick, Jesus will HEAL Lazarus (vs. 1-3).

Jesus' Baffling Response

Jesus DELAYED His coming, but He did so for two reasons:
the glory of God and His love for the family (vs. 4-6).

Why Does Jesus Call Death "Sleep"?

Jesus is showing us a different perspective on DEATH:
for believers in Jesus Christ, death is no worse than sleep,
and there's no reason to fear sleep (7-16).

2. When Pain Is Real, Jesus Truly CARES!

Jesus' Ministry to Two Sisters

- Ministry of TRUTH: Jesus speaks profound truth to Martha (vs. 17-27).
- Ministry of TEARS: Jesus grieves personally with Mary (vs. 28-37).

3. When Promises Seem Hopeless, Jesus REIGNS!

Jesus' Resurrection of Lazarus

- Jesus reminds Martha of His PROMISE when she had given up hope for Lazarus (vs. 38-42).
- Jesus demonstrates His POWER over death by raising Lazarus from the dead (vs. 43-44).

The Supreme Question of Easter

"Do you BELIEVE this?"

*"I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in Me, though he die,
yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die.
Do you believe this?" John 11:25-26*

*Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what He did,
believed in Him. John 11:45*

If you're ready to respond in saving faith, sincerely pray: "Heaven Father, I know that I'm a sinner and I need Your forgiveness. I believe that Jesus is the Savior who died to pay the penalty for my sin and rose again. I believe He is the resurrection and the life. I want to turn from my sins and follow You. Please forgive me and save me. I receive Your Son Jesus by faith as my Savior and Lord. In Jesus' name, Amen."