



## *Jesus Answers Death with Himself*

John 11:1-44

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1. When Jesus allows death (John 11:1-16)

2. Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life (John 11:17-27)

3. Jesus weeps (John 11:28-37)

4. Jesus is life. Do you believe this? (John 11:38-44)

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### **Quick Review**

1. Was there anything in the passage that challenged or encouraged you?

2. How did this passage of Scripture help you see Christ better?

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### **Digging Deeper**

1. **Grief with Hope:** How can Christians grieve differently from those who have no hope, as Paul describes in 1 Thessalonians 4:13? What does it mean to grieve with hope in the midst of loss?

2. **Life and Belief:** Choose some of the following passages to look up from the book of John:

John 1:4

John 3:36

John 5:21

John 5:39

John 6:47

John 8:12

John 10:28

John 17:3

John 3:16

John 4:14

John 5:24

John 6:35

John 6:68

John 10:10

John 14:6

John 20:31

How is belief connected to receiving life and resurrection in these verses? What kind of life does Jesus offer through belief in Him?

3. **Lament and Faith:** Martha's statement in John 11:21, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died," shows both pain and faith. How can lament be an expression of faith, as Mark Vroegop describes it? What role does lament play in your life as a Christian?

4. **The Role of Jesus in Grief:** Jesus wept when He saw the sorrow of Mary and those around her. What does this reveal about Jesus' heart for us in our sorrow? How does knowing that Jesus shares in our grief affect the way we approach Him in our own pain?

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### **Taking It Home**

1. **Reflecting on Loss:** In your own experience with grief or loss, how has Jesus' promise of resurrection and eternal life impacted the way you grieve?

2. **The Timing of Jesus:** Jesus intentionally delayed His arrival to Lazarus in John 11. Have you ever experienced a time in your life where God seemed distant or delayed in answering your prayers? How did that shape your faith?