



Hope Beyond Our Confusion

John 11 :1-44

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1. Lord, Why Didn't You Stop This?
2. Lord, Do You See Our Tears?
3. Lord, Can You Do Anything Now?
4. Lord, Will You Take Us Deeper?

1. Living with Unanswered Questions

- Read John 11:21, 32. How do you respond when God seems silent in the midst of tragedy or suffering?
- Are there areas in your life where you are wrestling with questions like “Where is God?” or “Why did this happen?” How might bringing these questions to Jesus change the way you process them?

2. Recognizing God’s Timing

- Read John 11:6 and 11:14–15. Jesus intentionally waited before going to Lazarus. Can you think of times when God’s delay felt confusing or frustrating in your own life? How might this passage help you see purpose in God’s timing?
- How can we support one another as a community when waiting on God’s deliverance or guidance?

3. Faith in the Midst of Confusion

- Read John 11:22–24. Martha came running to Jesus with hope, Mary came more slowly carrying grief. Which sister do you most relate to right now, and why?
- How does this story encourage you to approach Jesus honestly, whether in hope, anger, doubt, or confusion?

4. Living in Resurrection Hope

- Read John 11:25–26. Jesus asks Martha, “Do you believe this?” How does this question challenge your faith in the reality of resurrection and eternal life?
- How might a deeper understanding of resurrection life affect the way you grieve, hope, and act in your daily life?