

Review:

**John 11:33 - 46 (KJV)**

<sup>33</sup>When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled,

<sup>34</sup>And said, Where have ye laid him? They said unto him, Lord, come and see.

<sup>35</sup>Jesus wept.

<sup>36</sup>Then said the Jews, Behold how he loved him!

<sup>37</sup>And some of them said, Could not this man, which opened the eyes of the blind, have caused that even this man should not have died?

<sup>38</sup>Jesus therefore again groaning in himself cometh to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it.

<sup>39</sup>Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been *dead* four days.

<sup>40</sup>Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God?

<sup>41</sup>Then they took away the stone *from the place* where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up *his* eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me.

<sup>42</sup>And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said *it*, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.

<sup>43</sup>And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.

<sup>44</sup>And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go.

<sup>45</sup>Then many of the Jews which came to Mary, and had seen the things which Jesus did, believed on him.

<sup>46</sup>But some of them went their ways to the Pharisees, and told them what things Jesus had done.

**The doubt, disbelief and discouragement of Mary, Martha and the disciples.**

**John 11:8 (NASB)** The disciples said\* to Him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone You, and are You going there again?"

**John 11:16** Therefore Thomas, who is called Didymus, said to *his* fellow disciples, "Let us also go, so that we may die with Him."

**John 11:21** Martha then said to Jesus, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died. (**Faith: John 11:22 (NASB)** <sup>22</sup>*"Even now I know that whatever You ask of God, God will give You."*)

**John 11:24** Martha said\* to Him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." (**Faith: John 11:27 (NASB)** <sup>27</sup>*She said\* to Him, "Yes, Lord; I have believed that You are the Christ, the Son of God, even He who comes into the world."*)

**John 11:32** Therefore, when Mary came where Jesus was, she saw Him, and fell at His feet, saying to Him, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died."

**John 11:37** <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, “Could not this man, who opened the eyes of the blind man, have kept this man also from dying?”

**John 11:39** Jesus said\*, “Remove the stone.” Martha, the sister of the deceased, said\* to Him, “Lord, by this time there will be a stench, for he has been *dead* four days.” **(Faith: John 11:45 (NASB)** <sup>45</sup>*Therefore many of the Jews who came to Mary, and saw what He had done, believed in Him.*)

**John 11:46** But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them the things which Jesus had done.

*Jesus builds faith!*

**John 11:4 (NASB)** But when Jesus heard *this*, He said, “This sickness is not to end in death, but for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified by it.”

**John 11:7** Then after this He said\* to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.”

**John 11:11** This He said, and after that He said\* to them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep; but I go, so that I may awaken him out of sleep.”

**John 11:23 (NASB)**

<sup>23</sup>Jesus said\* to her, “Your brother will rise again.”

**John 11:25 - 26** <sup>25</sup>Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies, <sup>26</sup>and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?”

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*Participation steps: John 11:34 – simple starters*

<sup>34</sup>and said, “Where have you laid him?” They said\* to Him, “Lord, come and see.”

**John 11:39 – next step**

<sup>39</sup>Jesus said\*, “Remove the stone.” Martha, the sister of the deceased, said\* to Him, “Lord, by this time there will be a stench, for he has been *dead* four days.”

**John 11:41 - 42 – hear Jesus pray:** So they removed the stone. Then Jesus raised His eyes, and said, “Father, I thank You that You have heard Me.

<sup>42</sup>“I knew that You always hear Me; but because of the people standing around I said it, so that they may believe that You sent Me.”

**John 11:44 (NLT) – now take it from here!**

<sup>44</sup>And the dead man came out, his hands and feet bound in graveclothes, his face wrapped in a headcloth. Jesus told them, “Unwrap him and let him go!”

**Additional points!**

1. John11: An immovable object meets an irresistible force—Death meets Christ. And Christ conquers

2. The “Word-Faith” movements (Hagen, Copeland, Hinn, and some Charismatics, etc.), with their prosperity teaching that greater faith brings greater goods and wonders is the exact opposite of what Jesus taught.
  - “Jesus does not fault Martha for her little faith or demand more faith of her, but asks: ‘Did I not tell you that if you would [simply] believe you would see the glory of God?’ ...”
  - Jesus did NOT come to make faith into *miracle faith*—For example: This prosperity movement suggest that the more a person believes in God’s power, the more they can wield this power to demand what they want from God.
  - All that is required of faith is to believe in Him who is the Light of the world ...”
3. Jesus saves the lost (dead).....then he asks us to disciple them (unwrap)

**The Seven Signs of Jesus in John’s Gospel are:**

1. Changing water into wine in **John 2:1-11**
2. Healing the royal official's son in Capernaum in **John 4:46-54**
3. Healing the paralytic at Bethesda in **John 5:1-18**
4. Feeding the 5000 in **John 6:5-14**
5. Jesus' walk on water in **John 6:16-24**
6. Healing the man born blind in **John 9:1-7**
7. Raising of Lazarus in **John 11:1-45**

**What The Seven Signs represent:**

**1. Jesus turns water into wine John 2.1-11**

Jesus’ blood is a foreshadowing of the Holy Spirit. The Wine of God brings forgiveness, healing and new life. The best wine comes last.

**2. Jesus heals the Official’s son John 4.46-54**

Jesus is the One who carries life in himself. He gives it away to those he wishes, freeing his children from even the point of death.

**3. Jesus heals the man at the pool John 5.1-9**

Jesus seeks out the one who has lost hope and live in darkness. He offers oceans of living water for healing and wholeness to the people who are willing to be made well.

**4. Jesus feeds the multitudes John 6.1-15, 25-27**

Jesus is the bread that the Father has sent from heaven to give nourishment and spiritual life to the world. The Father fed Israel with bread in the wilderness. He feeds the world with his Son. Jesus is the Bread of Life that offers the cure to sin.

**5. Jesus crosses the sea John 6.16-21**

Jesus, during the backdrop of Passover, crossing his people over the sea again. The enemy is no longer Pharoah, but now sin itself. This deepens the truth that Jesus is the bread that gives the world life.

## 6. Jesus heals the blind man John 9.1-41

Jesus, the Light of world, gives sight to a hopelessly blind world. Those who follow him will not walk in spiritual darkness.

## 7. Jesus raises Lazarus John 11.1-44

Jesus, the Shepherd who calls his sheep by name, will himself walk out of the grave, having conquered death. Those who choose to follow him now will follow his resurrection from their own grave and experience eternal freedom.

### The Plot to Kill Jesus----- John 11:45 - 57 (NLT)

<sup>45</sup>Many of the people who were with Mary believed in Jesus when they saw this happen.

<sup>46</sup>But some went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done.

<sup>47</sup>Then the leading priests and Pharisees called the high council together. "What are we going to do?" they asked each other. "This man certainly performs many miraculous signs.

<sup>48</sup>If we allow him to go on like this, soon everyone will believe in him. Then the Roman army will come and destroy both our Temple and our nation."

<sup>49</sup>Caiaphas, who was high priest at that time, said, "You don't know what you're talking about!

<sup>50</sup>You don't realize that it's better for you that one man should die for the people than for the whole nation to be destroyed."

<sup>51</sup>He did not say this on his own; as high priest at that time he was led to prophesy that Jesus would die for the entire nation.

<sup>52</sup>And not only for that nation, but to bring together and unite all the children of God scattered around the world.

<sup>53</sup>So from that time on, the Jewish leaders began to plot Jesus' death.

<sup>54</sup>As a result, Jesus stopped his public ministry among the people and left Jerusalem. He went to a place near the wilderness, to the village of Ephraim, and stayed there with his disciples.

<sup>55</sup>It was now almost time for the Jewish Passover celebration, and many people from all over the country arrived in Jerusalem several days early so they could go through the purification ceremony before Passover began.

<sup>56</sup>They kept looking for Jesus, but as they stood around in the Temple, they said to each other, "What do you think? He won't come for Passover, will he?"

<sup>57</sup>Meanwhile, the leading priests and Pharisees had publicly ordered that anyone seeing Jesus must report it immediately so they could arrest him.

### Monday Morning Moment:

*The ABC's of personal Bible study:*

*A = Accuracy*

*B = Balance*

*C = Clarity*

**Nehemiah 8:8 (NLT)** <sup>8</sup>They read from the Book of the Law of God and clearly explained the meaning of what was being read, helping the people understand each passage.

**2 Timothy 2:15 (KJV)** <sup>15</sup>Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

**Ezra 7:10 (KJV)** <sup>10</sup>For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the LORD, and to do *it*, and to teach in Israel statutes and judgments.

**Homework Q & A:** *(Please use scripture where possible to support your answers.)*

1. What do you do on a daily basis to learn the Word better? Are you doing it consistently?
2. Has John 11 helped you believe God more than before? How has John 11 help increase your faith?
3. Other than Jesus, who is your favorite character in John 11 and why?