

## **WE WISH TO SEE JESUS ...IN HIS POWER OVER DEATH** **(John 11)**

### **A. The REALITY of DEATH.**

1. When and why did death begin? (Romans 5:12)
2. What does death involve?
3. What are the three primary kinds of death?

### **B. The REASONS for the RAISING of LAZARUS. (John 11)**

#### **1. To bring \_\_\_\_\_ and magnify the \_\_\_\_\_! (11:1-4)**

- a. This \_\_\_\_ miracle recorded in the book of John occurred due to the sickness of a close friend of Jesus named Lazarus. (11:1-3)
- b. Jesus Christ, knowing the outcome of this sickness, declared that what would occur was for the “\_\_\_\_\_ that the \_\_\_\_\_ may be \_\_\_\_\_ through it.” (11:4) What can you learn from this?

That God can use even sickness and death to \_\_\_\_\_ Himself and touch many lives through these trials, even as the God of all comfort and grace.

#### **2. To \_\_\_\_\_ the disciples’ \_\_\_\_\_. (11:5-16)**

- a. Instead of immediately rushing to Bethany to help or heal Lazarus from afar, our Lord waited \_\_\_\_\_ more days before going? (11:5-7)
- b. The reaction of the disciples was one of \_\_\_\_\_ which provided the opportunity for Jesus Christ to teach them about God’s \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. (11:8-10) Is God ever late and does He care?
- c. Our Lord then declared to His disciples that Lazarus \_\_\_\_\_, which is a synonym for \_\_\_\_\_. (11:11-14) Why is “death” for the believer called “sleep”, and did the disciples understand?
- d. Thus, Lazarus’ death was not only occurring for the glory of God but also that the disciples would learn to walk by \_\_\_\_\_. (11:15-16) What does Christ think about believers learning this important truth?

**3. To \_\_\_\_\_ the sisters' \_\_\_\_\_ (11:17-40)**

- a. To heighten the demonstration of Christ's power and what would transpire, Jesus does not arrive on the scene until Lazarus had been dead for \_\_\_\_\_ days. (11:17-19)
- b. Lazarus's sister Martha met Jesus and said, "\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ You had been here, my brother would not have died." (11:20-21) What often occurs when a loved one dies?
- c. Martha's faith was evidenced by her declaring that Jesus Christ could have \_\_\_\_\_ or could still \_\_\_\_\_ the death of Lazarus. (11:22) Was her faith unfounded?
- d. Knowing that physical death does not end it all, Jesus seeks to encourage Martha's faith to grow by giving her a biblical \_\_\_\_\_ and a Scriptural \_\_\_\_\_ about a \_\_\_\_\_, followed by a \_\_\_\_\_. (11:23-26) What are these?
- e. Martha responds by declaring her faith through calling Jesus \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_. (11:27) Did Martha know what and who she believed? What was Martha's need?
- f. The regret of Mary is expressed by the identical words of her sister, "Lord \_\_\_\_\_ You had been here, my brother would not have died." (11:28-37) Why did Jesus weep?
- g. Having gone to the tomb, our Lord reminds these sisters "that \_\_\_\_\_ you would \_\_\_\_\_ you would see the \_\_\_\_\_." (11:38-40) What can you as a believer in Christ learn from this?

**4. To \_\_\_\_\_ the spectator's \_\_\_\_\_. (11:41-57)**

- a. Jesus Christ vocalizes His prayer to the Father before the miracle for the sake of the \_\_\_\_\_ that they may \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus Christ. (11:41-42)
- b. Our Lord then raised Lazarus from the dead through His \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_. (11:43-44) What did Christ do and not do?
- c. The result of this stupendous miracle was that some \_\_\_\_\_, while others remained in \_\_\_\_\_. (11:45-57)
  - What did the chief priests later plot to do to Lazarus? Why? (John 12:9-10)
  - What do we see about Jesus through this incredible miracle?
  - How does this apply to you?