



CENTREVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH  
SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2020  
WEEK 6: TOMB RAIDER

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"Come and see, Lord," they replied.

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<sup>38</sup> Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. <sup>39</sup> "Take away the stone," he said.

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<sup>40</sup> Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?"

<sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me."

<sup>43</sup> When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup> The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face.

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John 11:32-35, 38-44

PASSAGE: **JOHN 11:1-57**

PLOW THROUGH IT:

VERSES 1-6 -

VERSES 7-20 -

VERSES 21-27 -

VERSES 32-44 -

PICTURE A PARABLE:

WORD STUDY

"troubled" (v. 33): **ταράσσω** (*tarassō*) - to stir up, to agitate, as water in a pool; of the mind, to stir up, trouble, disturb with various emotions.

*"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me."* John 14:1

## PASTOR'S POINTS:

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1. The God we serve is a God that meets us in the midst of our pain.
2. God is always up to something good, even when you can't see it.
3. Every tragedy is an opportunity for God to do the miraculous.
4. With Jesus, the end is never the end.

### PUT IT INTO PRACTICE

Be Jesus to somebody this week.

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- *Talk through your experience with the COVID-19 pandemic. When did things get more serious for you? Is it personal for you yet? Who do you know that has it?*
- *Read John 1:18. What are some common assumptions that people make about God and how He should act? What (differently) do we see when we start by looking at the life of Jesus, not our assumptions about how we think God should act?*
- *Read John 11:33-35, when Jesus was present and shared in the pain and grief of those walking through loss. How can we as Christians imitate that today and show the love of Jesus to those experiencing pain and loss?*