

Adult Bible Fellowship Sunday 06 April, 2025
“The Journey to Passover/Easter 2025” #5
John 11...Lazarus: Illness, Death, Resurrection



John 11:1-4 *“This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God’s glory so that God’s Son may be glorified through it.”*

- How was Jesus, God the Son, glorified through the Lazarus story? How about MY story?
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John 11:5-10 *“Jesus loved Martha, her sister and Lazarus. So when he heard that Lazarus was sick, He stayed where He was two more days...”*

- If indeed Jesus greatly loved them, should He not have rushed to help them? Why delay?
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- What is required of us to TRUST God’s larger, better plan when we are disappointed in God?
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John 11:11-16 *“Our friend Lazarus...is dead, and for your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe...”*

- So they may believe what? _____
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John 11:17-21 *“Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days... ‘Lord, if You had been here my brother would not have died!’”*

- How do we handle life’s disappointments when God doesn’t meet our expectations or hopes?
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- How do we handle other people holding us responsible for God disappointing them?
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John 11:22-26 *“I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in Me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in Me will never die. Do you believe this?”*

- What does it mean?? _____
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John 11:27-38 *“Yes, Lord, I believe that You are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world.” . . . “Jesus wept.”*

- First it was Simon Peter at Caesarea Philippi, now it is Martha at Bethany! Is it my belief too?
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- Why did Jesus weep? _____
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John 11:38-44 *“Father...I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they would believe that You sent Me.” “Lazarus, come out!”*

- Why is it important to the Gospel that Jesus came to earth, SENT by God the Father?
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- What does the resurrection of Lazarus prove about Jesus?
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- Why did Jesus not save Himself from death on the cross by His same Lazarus raising power?
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3/09/25 Matthew 16:13-20

- Caesarea Philippi and Jesus’ question: *“Who do people say the Son of Man is?”*
- Peter’s response: *“You are the Christ (Messiah). The Son of the living God!”*
- Jesus’ declaration: *“Upon this rock (petra) I will build My Church and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it.”* Jesus’ declaration it is the TRUTH of His identity that forms the basis of the Gospel & the foundation of Jesus building HIS ‘Church’.

3/16/23 Matthew 16:21-28

- Jesus’ first prediction of His Jerusalem suffering at the hands of Religious & Civic leaders / His death & resurrection!
- Peter’s rebuke of Jesus & Jesus’ counter challenge of Peter
- Jesus’ explanation of what is required for someone to be HIS disciple in real life

3/23/25 Matthew 17:1-13

- The Transfiguration of Jesus! Appearance of Moses & Elijah in ‘heavenly bodies’.
- The entire experience being a partial fulfillment of Matthew 16:28.
- God’s voice from heaven confirming Jesus is the Son of God...Listen to Him!
- Jesus’ second prediction of His resurrection
- Jesus’ declaration that John the Baptist is the fulfillment of the closing prophecy of the Old Testament (Malachi 4:5,6)

3/30/25 Mark 9:14-29 (Matthew 17:14-19)

- Demonstration of the demonic spirit oppression of a young man over a long period
- Jesus’ deliverance of that young man from the dark kingdom stronghold on him
- Jesus’ prioritization of FAITH if participation with God in miracles
- Proof of Jesus’ authority & power over Satan’s dark kingdom of opposition to God

4/06/25 John 11

- Jesus’ intentional delay in love, when He heard of Lazarus illness, for God’s glory?!
- Jesus’ famous statement ‘I am the resurrection and the life...’!
- Jesus’ wept and then Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead proving His power over death
- Jewish leaders determined to eliminate Jesus, strategize a plan!
- Jesus’ departure to a remote place to make final preparations for Passover/Easter



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