



FAMILY CONNECTION

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

SCRIPTURE

John 11:20-27,38-53

SESSION SUMMARY

In this week's session, we studied a familiar story—Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead. We see how all things, even death, can be used for God's glory. God's plan and timing may seem confusing to us at times, but His way is always best. Here are the main themes:

- The Messiah brings life from death (John 11:20-27).
- The Messiah brings glory from grief (John 11:38-44).
- The Messiah brings salvation from rejection (John 11:45-53).

CONVERSATION QUESTIONS

- When have we prayed for something to happen and the answer was no? How did that affect our faith? How does Lazarus's story bring a different perspective?
- What kinds of things do we struggle to believe God can do for us? Why is it important to remember that He has power over everything, including death?
- How can we respond when things don't turn out the way we hope or don't happen when we expect?

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Just because God hasn't acted yet doesn't mean He won't. Together, create a list of situations in which your family is asking God for help. Pray over each situation, and put the list somewhere you can see it. Update it as God answers prayers or situations change.