

SERMON STUDY



REFLECT

1. *Begin by having someone share his or her story of trusting Christ for salvation. What was your life like before Christ? What passages of Scripture convinced you of the truth of the gospel? How has Christ changed you?*
2. *How do you prepare for Sunday services in order to serve, sing and listen faithfully?*

ENCOUNTER

What is the shortest verse in the Bible? “Jesus wept.” It’s a fun trivia question, but let’s never miss the beauty of those two words. Jesus, the eternal God, stepped into humanity and embraced suffering. Even though Jesus had - and used - the power to raise the dead, he still felt the emotional weight of sin’s curse. Over the coming weeks, we’ll be hearing messages from John 11. Study through this chapter using some or all of these questions as a guide.

3. *What is the setting of this narrative?*
4. *Who are the main “characters” of the story? What do we learn about each of them?*
5. *Break down the chapter into paragraphs and try to summarize each paragraph.*

6. *What are three or four questions you have about these verses?*

TRANSFORM

7. *If you had to summarize this week's sermon for a friend, what highlights would you include?*

8. *What are your goals for Bible-reading this week? How can your group encourage one another in this area?*

PRAYER REQUESTS