

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?

## 2. What does this story teach me about myself?

3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?

4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?

5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



## Unit 24 • Session 2 JESUS RAISED LAZARUS John 11–12

## WHY DO PEOPLE REJECT JESUS? PEOPLE REJECT JESUS BECAUSE ALL PEOPLE ARE BORN WITH A SIN NATURE AND WANT TO PLEASE THEMSELVES RATHER THAN OBEY GOD.

Jesus and Lazarus were friends. Lazarus lived in the town of Bethany, in Judea, with his sisters, Mary and Martha. One day, Lazarus got sick. Mary and Martha sent a message to Jesus.

Jesus told His disciples, "Lazarus' sickness will not end in death." Jesus stayed where He was for two more days. Then Jesus said, "Let's go back to Judea."

By the time Jesus arrived in Bethany, Lazarus had been in a tomb for four days. Martha said, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother wouldn't have died." Martha knew Jesus could do a miracle though.

Jesus replied, "Your brother will rise again. I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in Me, even if he dies, will live. Everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die—ever."

Martha said. "I believe You are the Messiah, the Son of God."

Mary was crying. Jesus wept too.

Mary led Jesus to the tomb where Lazarus was buried.

Then Jesus shouted, "Lazarus, come out!"

Lazarus came out of the tomb, wrapped in linen and cloth. Jesus said, "Unwrap him and let him go."

The religious leaders decided they wanted to kill Lazarus because many people were trusting in Jesus.

Christ Connection: When Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, He showed that He has power over death. Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life." Jesus died on the cross for our sins and rose from the dead. He gives eternal life to those who trust in Him.

