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THE GOSPEL OF JOHN • CHAPTERS 11-21





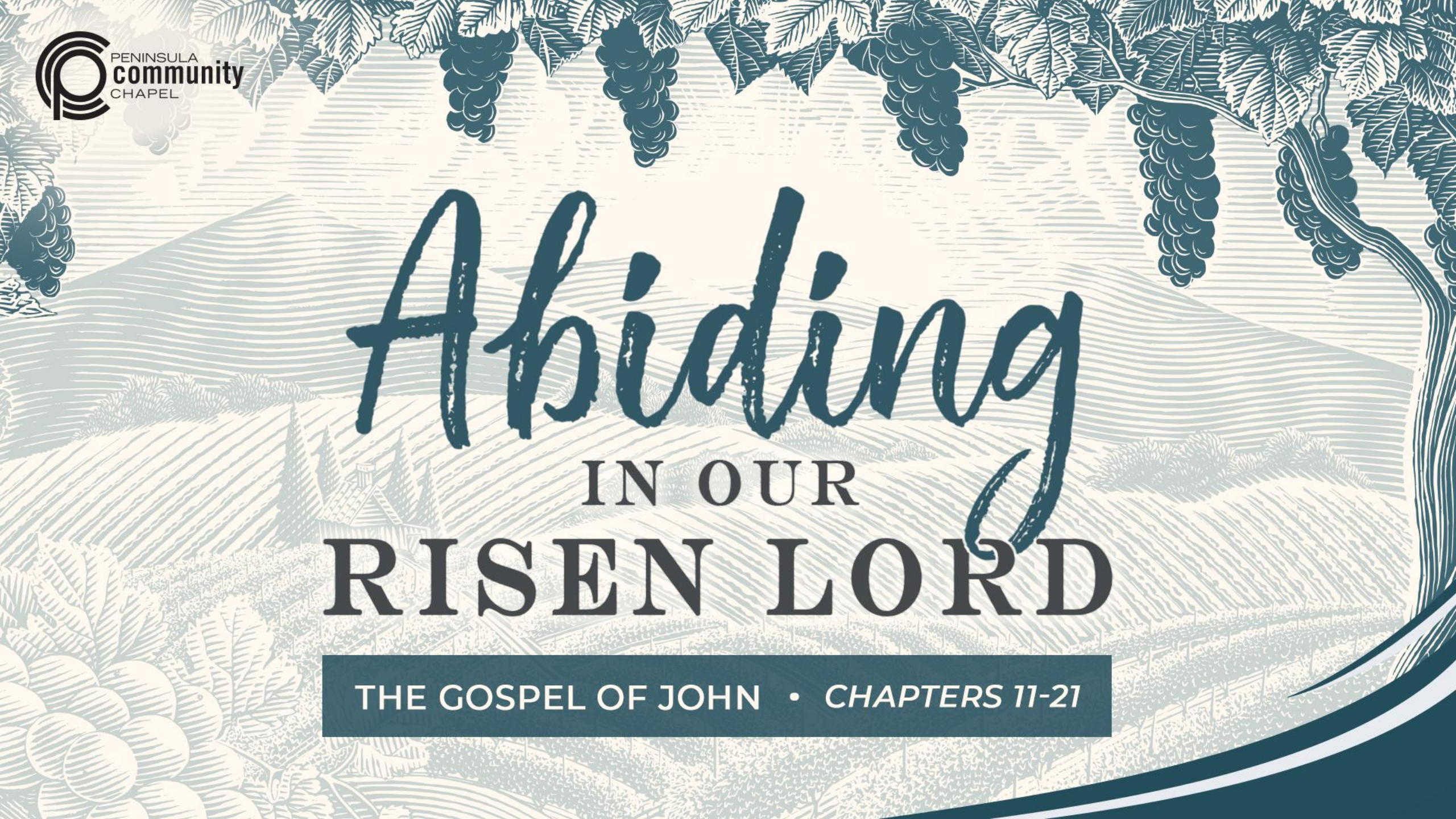
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# Outline: John 11:1-44

- ❖ A Delay
- ❖ A Grievous Reality
- ❖ A Resurrection Hope



## Point 1: A Delay..

“Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the Village of Mary and her sister Martha... So the sisters sent to him saying, “Lord, he whom **you love** is ill.”

John 11:1,3

“Now Jesus **loved** Martha and her sister and Lazarus.” John 11:5



## Point 1: A Delay..

“So, when he heard that Lazarus was ill... he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.” John 11:6

*\*Why would he intentionally linger there longer instead of urgently going to his sick friend?\**



## Point 1: A Delay..

“Then after this he said to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.” The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?”

John 11:7-8





## Point 1: A Delay..

“Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus has died, and for your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. Let us go to him.”

John 11:14-15





## John 11:17-35

**17** Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. **18** Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, **19** and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. **20** So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. **21** Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. **22** But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." **23** Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."



## John 11:17-35

**24** Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” **25** Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, **26** and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?” **27** She said to him, “Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world.” **28** When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” **29** And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. **30** Now Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him.



## John 11:17-35

**31** When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. **32** Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." **33** When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. **34** And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." **35** Jesus wept.



## Point 2: A Grievous Reality...

**Both** *Martha* and *Mary* say the same statement to Jesus:

“Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” John 11:21 & 11:32



## Point 2: A Grievous Reality... Martha

“So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, **she went** and met him... Martha said to Jesus, "Lord if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But **even now I know** that whatever you ask from God, God will give you.”

John 11:20-22





## Point 2: A Grievous Reality... Martha

“Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again. Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.””

John 11:23-24





## Point 2: A Grievous Reality... Martha

“Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?”



John 11:25-26



## Point 2: A Grievous Reality... Martha

*Everyone who is in Christ has already begun to experience eternal life. We're never going to die. We may go through the transition of physical death, but that death cannot destroy the life that Christ has given us. – R.C. Sproul*



## Point 2: A Grievous Reality... Martha

“Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?” **Yes, Lord; I believe** that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into this world.” John 11:25-27





## Point 2: A Grievous Reality... Mary

“Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, **she fell at his feet**, saying to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. And he said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus wept.”  
John 11:32-35







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## Point 2: A Grievous Reality... Mary

“Now when Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled. And he said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus wept.”  
John 11:32-35





## Point 3: A Resurrection Hope

<sup>38</sup> Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes 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 on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me."

John 11:38-42



## Point 3: A Resurrection Hope

<sup>43</sup> When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, “**Lazarus, come out.**” <sup>44</sup> The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.” John 11:43-44





# Three Takeaways... #1

*Sometimes Jesus's love is most clearly on display in his **delay**.*

## Ask yourself...

→ *Are you engaging with Jesus in the midst of the delay?*

→ *How is his **loving delay** at work in your life?*



## Three Takeaways... #2

Jesus meets us in our ***grief***.

**Ask yourself...**

→ *Are you going to the Lord in your grief?*

“Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.” Heb. 4:16



## Three Takeaways... #3

*We grieve with **hope**.*

“But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep (those who have died), that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.”

1 Thes. 4:13-14



## Three Takeaways... #3

We grieve with **hope**...  
because of the **gospel**  
**hope** we possess.







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