



## Behold The Lamb | Week 19 Study Guide When God Seems Late

**Bible Text:** John 11

### Open Up

Share about a time you were waiting for someone who was running late. What was going through your mind while you waited?

### Dig In

#### **Read John 11:1-16**

What emotions do you think Mary and Martha experienced while waiting for Jesus? Why do you think Jesus chose to delay?

Verse 5 says Jesus loved this family, yet He still waited. What does that teach us? Have you ever mistaken God's delay for God's absence?

Read: Isaiah 55:8-9, Romans 8:28, Habakkuk 2:3. What do these passages teach us about God's timing?

#### **Read John 11:17-27**

Martha expresses both disappointment and faith. How can both exist together? Why is it important to remember what we know about Jesus when life doesn't make sense?

What truths about Jesus anchor your faith during difficult seasons?

#### **Read John 11:28-37**

Why did Jesus weep if He already knew the outcome? What does this reveal about His heart?

How does knowing Jesus weeps with us change the way we view suffering? When has God comforted you during a difficult season?

Read Psalm 34:18, Hebrews 4:15-16, Romans 12:15. How are these verses an encouragement or exhortation to you?

#### **Read John 11:38-44**

Why did Jesus have the stone removed before performing the miracle? Why did Jesus pray publicly?

Looking back on your life, have you ever seen God accomplish something greater because you had to wait?

### Close Out

Where in your life are you waiting on God right now?

What truth about God's character do you need to hold onto this week?

How can you trust God more while you're waiting instead of simply waiting?