



**SUNDAY+**

## YOUR BEST FRIEND

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J O H N 11:1 - 44

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### ***A N N O U N C E M E N T S***

#### **Summer Opportunities to Connect:**

Churchwide Pool Party - August 20th - Free Admission...Free Pizza...BYO Drinks!

Mosaic @ The Ballpark - September 3rd - Tickets on sale now!

### ***R E L A T I O N A L C O N N E C T & C H E C K - I N***

What's one thing you can celebrate with the group today?

How was your time with the Lord this past week? What are you hoping to get out of today's study?

### ***G R O U P D I S C U S S I O N***

#### **- READ John 11:1-44 -**

**1. Have you ever asked the question, “Why does God allow bad things to happen to good people?” Or “If God is a God of love, why is there pain and suffering in the world?” Look at this week’s example with Lazarus. Why do you think Jesus didn’t prevent Lazarus from getting sick in the first place? Why doesn’t he prevent all bad things from happening to us?**

**2. Jesus laid His life on the line for us. He took the first step toward initiating a relationship with us. Have you taken steps to have a relationship with Jesus, or are you sitting back and waiting on Him? What steps have you taken to have a relationship with Jesus?**

**3. In verse 25-26, Jesus said to Martha, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he dies, yet shall he live, 26 and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?” Have you put your faith in Jesus? How does your life show that you believe in what Jesus says here? What areas of your life do you still need to turn over to Jesus.**

**4. The Bible says that: The greatest love a person can show is to die for his friends. (John 15:13) Is there anyone in your life that you love enough to die for? In what areas of your life has Jesus shown that He loves you?**

**5. Your only hope against death, physical and eternal, is faith in Jesus. There are many things in our lives we could try to find freedom, but true freedom only comes from a personal relationship with Jesus. What are some things in your life preventing you from having a personal relationship with Jesus? What are some ways that you could improve your relationship with Jesus?**