



# HTC SMALL GROUP

## *Discussion Questions*

**Sermon Title:** Alive and Well

**Sermon Date:** April 2, 2017

**Scripture:** John 11

**Speaker:** Pastor Rod Randall

1. On Sunday we saw a video of a news reporter who encountered a particularly difficult interruption. Any stories from your job of an unexpected nightmare?
2. When in your life have you felt particularly “alive and well”? When have you felt the opposite?
3. Read John 11:1-3. What can we learn from how Mary and Martha responded to their brother’s illness?
4. Do you reach out to Jesus as often as you should? Why not? What needs to change?
5. Read John 11:4-6. Why does Jesus remain where He is for two more days after learning that Lazarus is sick? What can we learn from this?
6. What good comes from waiting on the Lord?
7. Read 2 Peter 3:8-9. Why do you think the Lord views *time* so much differently than we do?
8. Read 11:7-27 and 38-42.
9. What *reoccurring* reason does Jesus give for why He allowed Lazarus to die?
10. Why is the resurrection of Lazarus and Jesus’ statement in Vs. 25-26 so important based on the events that are about to unfold?
11. How do we know it took Martha a little while to fully believe what Jesus was about to do?
12. When do we tend to have a hard time believing in Jesus? How can we overcome this?
13. Any personal stories on how Jesus showed up in a big way to strengthen your belief in Him?
14. Read 11:28-37.
15. When Mary meets Jesus she falls at His feet in worship. What does this tell you about her? What does His response teach us about Him?
16. In what ways have you found worship to be a meaningful part of your life?
17. Read 11:43-45
18. How would you have felt if you were there when this happened?
19. Based on the Lazarus story, we can be *Alive and Well* when 1) we go to Jesus, 2) wait on Jesus, 3) believe in Jesus and 4) worship Jesus. Which of these do you really need to work on?