

April 13th, 2025

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John 11

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John 11:41-44 (NIV)

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- Lazarus dies. John 11:1-16
- Jesus arrives in Bethany. John 11:17-37
- Lazarus raised. John 11:38-44
- Mixed reviews. John 11:45-53
- Jesus goes undercover. John 11:54-57

Jesus is all-\_\_\_\_\_ and  
he is \_\_\_\_\_ in a deeply personal way.

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3. Instead of \_\_\_\_\_ in doubt, Jesus  
invites us to \_\_\_\_\_ in belief. John 11:23, 26, 40

## TALK IT OVER

*Because we believe that the sharing of our ideas and beliefs enhances our spiritual growth in ways teaching alone cannot - we encourage you to join a small group at Sunridge and discuss some of the following questions.*

What stood out most in the message to you regarding something that you learned, challenged you, or that you disagreed with? And, in what ways can you see these truths being lived out in your relationships and life this week?

Read through John 11 and note things that stand out to you. Share some of your observations with the group.

Why do you think Jesus waits two days before heading to Bethany? What does that teach us about God's timing? (Use other scripture to support your thoughts if possible)

How does the idea that Jesus is both all-powerful and compassionate affect your view of him? Which of those is most important to you today?

Have you ever prayed "If you had" or "Come and see" prayers? What was going on that caused you to be raw with God? How did expressing your honest feelings affect your prayer? Do you think there's a limit to what we should say to God? Why?

How is Jesus inviting you to stop looking backward and instead move forward in belief?



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