

Week of October 26 The Gospel of John | John 11:1-44 Pastor George Myers

This weekly tool is designed to help you process and apply God's truth with other brothers and sisters who want to grow in Christ. You might use this in your Life Group, one-on-one over coffee, around the family dinner table, or in a casual small group of friends. The aim is to take God's Word from Sunday morning and bring it into the corners of our lives throughout the week, so that together we might be transformed into people who treasure God and love others.

beyondsunday Reflection & Discussion

Getting Started

1. The raising of Lazarus is one of the most spectacular miracles of Jesus. John spends almost all of chapter 11 describing the story. What are some of the details in this chapter that grab your attention?

Receive the Word + Make the Connection

- 2. Read John 11:1-16. Sometimes when God calls us to wait in our current circumstances, we might feel unloved by Jesus. Why is that? Have you ever felt like God was "delaying" in your life?
- 3. The disciples (and Thomas) responded first with doubt and fear in the midst of a difficult situation. How do we often respond when faced with a trial or difficulty?
- 4. Read John 11:21-27. What does Jesus mean when he says, "I am the resurrection and the life?"
- 5. Read John 11:32-37. Jesus was about to raise Lazarus from the dead, yet he wept. Why do you think that happened and what does it say about Jesus?
- 6. How could we follow Jesus' example of compassion in how we care for those that are hurting?
- 7. Read John 11:38-44. What do you think it would have been like to be there? What do these verses tell us about Jesus?

THINK - How should Jesus' victory over death affect the way we live - even today?

PRAY - Pray over the current circumstances in your life and recognize that Jesus' authority extends to all the details of your life AND that he cares deeply for you. ACT - Celebrate the awesome power of Jesus this week! Encourage a fellow believer that they can find rest in Jesus.