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I Am the Resurrection

John 11:1-44

John 11 recounts the well-known story of Jesus raising Lazarus. Though people witnessed Jesus performing many signs, they wanted more signs to validate Jesus' claim of being the Messiah. Jesus raising Lazarus is the last and most powerful of the seven signs. Not only does it prove Jesus is the Messiah, but it also points forward to Jesus' resurrection which is the foundation for our resurrection.

Additional Verses:

Romans 6:5-11

1 Corinthians 15:26-57

Philippians 3:20-21

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Hebrews 2:14-15

Outline:

1. Jesus and the disciples. (11:1-16)

2. Jesus, Mary, and Martha (11:17-37)

3. Jesus and Lazarus (11:38-44)

4. Jesus and believers (Romans 6:5)

Study Questions:

1. Why does Jesus wait 2 days before going to Bethany? How will Jesus' delay display His love for the family?

2. Why is Jesus troubled in His spirit? What instruction does this have for us in the face of death?

3. How is the raising of Lazarus a preview of what is to come? Why is Jesus raising even greater than Lazarus'? What does Jesus' resurrection accomplish?

4. How is Jesus the resurrection and the life? How do believers experience resurrection and life now?

5. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?