

John 11:17-37

¹⁷ Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days.

¹⁸ Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off,

¹⁹ and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. ²⁰ So

when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. ²¹ Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had

been here, my brother would not have died. ²² But even now I know that whatever you ask from God,

God will give you." ²³ Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴ Martha said to him, "I

know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." ²⁵ Jesus said to her, "I am the

resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, ²⁶ and everyone who

lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" ²⁷ She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I

believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

²⁸ When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in private, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." ²⁹ And when she heard it, she

rose quickly and went to him. ³⁰ Now Jesus had not

yet come into the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him. ³¹ When the Jews who

were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her,

supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. ³² Now when Mary came to where Jesus was

and saw him, she fell at his feet, saying to him,

"Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the

Jews who had come with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled.

³⁴ And he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵ Jesus wept.

³⁶ So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷ But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the

eyes of the blind man also have kept this man from dying?"

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After the talk today, there will be a short Q&A session, time permitting

Death and all his friends: Grief

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Despair or stiff upper lip?

1. Jesus is the conqueror over death (v17-27)

so death is a defeated enemy

2. Jesus weeps with us at death (v28-37)

so death is still an enemy

We need truth and tears

Next week:

Series: Death and all his friends:

Title: Fear (John 11:38-54)

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