

## AROUND THE DINNER TABLE

08/01: John 11:1-27

In this week's passage, we witness Martha take her deep sorrow to Jesus *with hope* after her brother dies.

Talk about a time in your life where you experienced great sadness or loss.

What do we learn about grief, where we can take it, and who can handle it based on Martha's response from this week's passage?

How does God's love relate to his power?

Read Romans 8:37-39 aloud.

What does it look like to grieve with hope? How can this truth help us in our grief, or help us come alongside someone else who might be experiencing a time of grief?

## WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS

Adapted from Rachel Jones' *5 Things to Pray* series.

Father, I pray that I would be a learner who: **SEEKS WISDOM**

Read Proverbs 2:2,4

Thank God for his precious wisdom. Ask God to give you a heart that longs to know him more deeply – that you'd pour all your effort and energy into becoming wiser in the things of God. Pray that you would treasure God's truth rightly and not take it for granted.

## NEXT STEPS

**Interested in Membership, Baptism or Joining a Life Group?**

Contact Trent Jones at [tjones@linworthbaptist.org](mailto:tjones@linworthbaptist.org) or the church office.



LOVE GOD,  
LOVE PEOPLE,  
SHARE CHRIST... *more*

# SERMON PASSAGE

## John 11:1-27 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup> Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup> It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup> So the sisters sent to him, saying, “Lord, he whom you love is ill.” <sup>4</sup> But when Jesus heard it he said, “This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.”

<sup>5</sup> Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. <sup>6</sup> So, when he heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. <sup>7</sup> Then after this he said to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.” <sup>8</sup> The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?” <sup>9</sup> Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. <sup>10</sup> But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him.” <sup>11</sup> After saying these things, he said to them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awaken him.” <sup>12</sup> The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover.” <sup>13</sup> Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. <sup>14</sup> Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus has died, <sup>15</sup> and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” <sup>16</sup> So Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

<sup>17</sup> Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. <sup>18</sup> Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, <sup>19</sup> and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. <sup>20</sup> So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. <sup>21</sup> Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup> But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you.” <sup>23</sup> Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” <sup>24</sup> Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” <sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, <sup>26</sup> and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?” <sup>27</sup> She said to him, “Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world.”

# SERMON NOTES

August 1, 2021: Pastor Brent Miller

Sermon Series:

*That You Might Have Life: A Journey Through the Book of John*

Passage: John 11:1-27

## Sermon Notes

# FURTHER STUDY THIS WEEK

## TAKING A CLOSER LOOK

Whether you are meeting with someone this week or you are getting into the Word on your own, we encourage you to work through these questions as you take a deeper look at the sermon passage from this week, or as you dig deeper into the "Read the Bible in Two Years" reading plan that we are currently working through as a church.



1. What are 1-2 things that "shine" from this passage? Whatever impacts the most or draws attention.



2. What are 1-2 things that are difficult to understand in the text, or a question that you would like to ask the writer of the passage or the Lord?



3. What is the central idea of the passage?



4. What are 1-2 personal applications for your own life?



5. With a friend: Find out what is going on in each other's lives. What has been their greatest joy this week? Greatest challenge this week and how they've handled it? What is one area each of you could pray about for each other as it relates to growing with your relationship with the Lord, a spouse, child or friend?

August Memory Verse

**Colossians 3:23**

Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men