

# JESUS GIVES LIFE TO THE DEAD

## Quote:

Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

John 11:24-26

## Bible Marking - John 11

**John 11:1** - **“certain man was sick”** - association and friendship of Jesus does not prevent us suffering from the effects of Adam’s transgression in this life.

**“Lazarus”** - Gk for Eleazar - meaning “Ail will Help”. A friend of Jesus (v11). See **2 Chron 20:7; Jas 2:23** - belief in Christ - made him a friend of Jesus. See also **Jn 15:13-14**.

**“Bethany”** - means - “House of the Afflicted”.

**John 11:3** - **“Lord”** - Note the respectful manner of addressing Jesus even among personal friends. See also **v21, 28** (Master), **32**.

### What Martha and Mary believed:

Mark above  
John 11

1. Jesus was her Lord (v21).
2. Believed in the resurrection at the Last day (v24).
3. Jesus is the Messiah (Christ) (v27)
4. Jesus is the Son of God (v27).
5. That the Son of God should come into the World (v27)
6. Acknowledged Jesus as a teacher (Master) (v28).

Cp **v47** - The Jews saw him as **“this man”**.

### John 11 - The Seventh Sign - Life from the Dead

1. Lazarus is Sick - John 11:1-3
2. It is Not Unto Death - John 11:4-6
3. Let Us Go to Judea - John 11:7-8
4. Walk in the Light - John 11:9-12
5. Lazarus is Dead - John 11:13-16
6. Mourning at Bethany - John 11:17-19
7. Martha Meets Jesus - John 11:20-22
8. Your Brother Shall Rise Again - John 11:23-27
9. Mary Meets Jesus - John 11:28-32
10. The Lord’s Sorrow - John 11:33-38
11. Take Away the Stone - John 11:39-40
12. Lazarus Come Forth - John 11:41-44
13. The Divided State of the People - John 11:45-46
14. The Sanhedrin Assembles - John 11:47-48
15. The Counsel of Caiaphas and it’s significance - John 11:49-52
16. Christ Removes to Ephraim - John 11:53-54
17. The Passover Approaches - John 11:55-57

### Colour the Key Word

1. **Believe** (9 times) - **v15, 25, 26 (2x), 27, 40, 42, 45, 48**. - Colour **Blue**

**John 11:35** - **“Jesus wept”** - He wept over all that sin had wrought for the past 4000 years as a consequence of Adam’s transgression. He could see in the death of Lazarus the sorrow of humanity (see Story of the Bible Vol 6 p338).

**John 11:38** - **“groaning in himself”** - see **Isa 53:3**.

**John 11:43** - **“Lazarus come forth”** - a clear demonstration that Christ can raise the dead (**Jn 5:28-29**).

## Two Resurrections Compared

Mark above and below  
John 11 or on an insert

Resurrection of Lazarus	Resurrection of Jesus Christ
Lazarus was sick and died of that sickness ( <b>Jn 11:2, 14</b> ).	Jesus was not sick. He willingly laid down his life ( <b>Jn 18:4-11</b> ).
The detractors of Jesus questioned his actions - <b>“Could not this man,.. have caused that even this man should not have died?”</b> ( <b>Jn 11:37</b> ).	The detractors of Jesus challenge him come down as proof of him being the Son of God ( <b>Matt 27:40-43</b> ).
Bound up and Buried in a cave with a stone placed on the mouth ( <b>Jn 11:38, 44</b> ).	Bound up in 100 pounds of myrrh and aloes in linen and buried in a sepulchre where no man had been laid, and rolled a great stone to the door ( <b>Jn 19:38-42; Matt 27:59-60; Mk 15:46; Lk 23:53</b> )
Lazarus remained there for four days and began to stink ( <b>Jn 11:39</b> )	Three days and three nights in the grave and saw no corruption ( <b>Jn 20:1; Matt 12:40; Acts 13:37</b> ).
Stone rolled back by more than one at Jesus command ( <b>Jn 11:41</b> ).	Stone rolled back by a single angel ( <b>Matt 28:2-3</b> ).
<b>“Many of the Jews along with Mary and Martha witnessed the resurrection”</b> ( <b>Jn 11:45</b> )	Resurrection witnessed by the soldiers guarding the tomb ( <b>Matt 28:4,11</b> ), who recounted ALL.
Lazarus came forth at the call of Jesus ( <b>Jn 11:43-44</b> ).	
Lazarus came forth bound hand and foot with grave clothes ( <b>Jn 11:44</b> )	Peter saw the linen clothes lying ( <b>Jn 20:5</b> )
And his face was bound with a napkin ( <b>Jn 11:44</b> )	The napkin was wrapped together in a place by itself ( <b>Jn 20:7</b> )
Jesus instructed the people to <b>“loose him and let him go”</b> after he had departed from the tomb ( <b>Jn 11:44</b> )	Jesus was already loosed ( <b>Acts 2:24</b> ).
Many of the Jews and Mary and Martha believed ON HIM ( <b>Jn 11:45</b> ).	John saw and believed ( <b>Jn 20:8</b> ).
<b>John 5:28-29</b>	<b>1 Corinthians 15:17</b>

## Probable Timeline of John 11:

Optional Extra marking -  
Mark above and below John  
11 or on an insert

(Shows the power of Jesus to call men from the grave - Jn 5:28-29)

Day 1: Lazarus is sick (v1) - a messenger is despatched to tell Jesus who was in Bethabarra beyond Jordan (Jn 10:40; 1:28).

Day 2: Message given to Jesus (v3). Jesus informed the messenger that the sickness is not unto death (we presume the messenger returned with this message) - It would appear Lazarus died about this time (v39).

Day 3: Abode in the same place (v6)

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Day 5: Jesus travelled to Bethany (about 33km up hill).

Day 6: Martha went and met Jesus as he came (v20) - before he arrived in the town (v30).

Mary then sent by Martha to meet the Lord in the same place (v28).

Jesus requests to see and is taken to the cave where Lazarus was laid (v34).

The stone is taken away at the command of Jesus (v39-41).

Jesus called Lazarus forth from the tomb (he never went near Lazarus) (v43).