

Lesson Seven – Walking to the Tomb John 11:1-44

Have you ever wondered about God's timing? Two sisters certainly wondered about the timing of Jesus when they called him for help. In our *Journey with Jesus* today, we will see Mary and Martha send for help from Jesus because of their sick brother Lazarus. However, Jesus doesn't go immediately and Lazarus ends up dying. And then, he takes his time in *Walking to the Tomb*. But the end of the story is not as tragic as it may sound. In fact, Jesus and his timing turn a tragic event into a wonderful event that glorifies God and strengthens the faith of Jesus' disciples.

1.	Lazarus, Mary and Martha were from the town of
2.	When Jesus heard that Lazarus was sick, he stayed where he was for
	more days.
3.	Jesus' disciples did not want to go back to
4.	When Jesus arrived, Lazarus had already been in the tomb for days.
5.	Jesus said that he is the and the
6.	Jesus loved Lazarus, Mary and Martha so much that he
7.	Before raising Lazarus, Jesus prayed for the of the people standing there

Personal Study:

- 1. Read Luke chapter 10 and John chapter 12. Combined with the story today, how would you describe the relationship Jesus shared with this family? How was this important to His ministry? How are friends important to our walk with Jesus today
- 2. Read Philippians 4:19, Romans 8:28, and Genesis 50:20. In view of these scriptures, what can be said about how the faith of a believer glorifies God? What must you do in your life to ensure that the way you exhibit faith during a trial glorifies God?
- 3. Memorize John 11:25-26.

Next Time:

It's Sunday. This is the week it will all happen. Jesus will live through the plan of salvation in the next few days. He will finally become the sacrifice great enough to take away the sin of the world. He will provide the means for sinful men to approach a holy God. He's 100% divine, so he understands the importance of this week. But he's also 100% human, so he will feel the pain. But it is even more painful for him to encounter those who would hinder people from worshipping God. And as he starts the week, he makes his way through the temple court and

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drives away those types of people who hinder others from worship. You could say Jesus is *Driving Down the Court*.

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