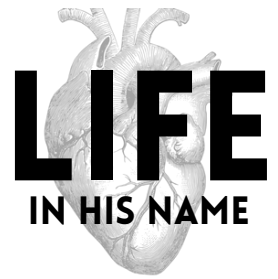


# GROWTH GUIDE

The Resurrection and the Life | John 11:1-44  
Week of 3/31/2024



## SERMON OUTLINE .....

- 1) Jesus delays only to do something greater. John 11:1-16
- 2) Jesus is the resurrection and the life. John 11:17-27
- 3) Jesus' resurrection life is experienced by belief. John 11:28-44

## GROUP DISCUSSION .....

- 1) Looking back at the passage, what stood out to you, was helpful, or challenged you? What questions do you have?
  
- 2) It might be unexpected, but how does Jesus's waiting to go to Lazarus (v.5) display his love for Martha, Mary, and Lazarus? What were the greater purposes Jesus had in waiting?
  
- 3) What comfort and assurance can we find in this passage during our times of suffering and waiting on the Lord? What changes in your actions and attitude when you believe that God's delays are always deliberate?
  
- 4) How does our culture handle and think about death? What real hope is Jesus offering to Martha in declaring that he is the resurrection and the life (vv. 25-26)? How do these distinct but complementary truths bring us hope and assurance now?
  
- 5) Resurrection life is experienced by personal belief in Jesus (v.26b). When and how did you move from abstract belief to personal belief that Jesus died for you? What specifically is an example of resurrection life at work in you? If you haven't yet believed personally, what is holding you back?

## BREAKOUT DISCUSSION .....

- 1) How specifically are you witnessing to others the resurrection life you've experienced in Jesus Christ?
  
- 2) How were you impacted this year by observing Good Friday and Easter together as a church?

