Who is Jesus? – "The Resurrection and the Life" John 11:1-12:11 (p. #897 in pew Bible)

Context: John 10:40-42

Key word/theme throughout The Gospel of John: "Believe"

- Martha and Mary send word to Jesus telling Him that His beloved friend Lazarus was very sick. (11:1-4)
- 2. Jesus shocks His disciples by waiting until after Lazarus has died to begin traveling to Bethany. (11:5-16)
- Martha personally meets with Jesus and declares her <u>faith</u> in Him as the promised Messiah and "Son of God." (11:17-27)
- 4. Mary goes to meet Jesus and they both mourn greatly over the death of Lazarus. (11:28-37)
- 5. Jesus shocks everyone by miraculously raising Lazarus from the dead! (11:38-44)
- 6. While many <u>believed</u> in Jesus, the Pharisees plotted how to kill Him. (11:45-57)

- 7. When Jesus returns to Bethany, Mary's elaborate worship of Him foreshadows His death. (12:1-8)
- 8. Many people <u>believed</u> in Jesus after seeing that Lazarus really was resurrected from the dead. (12:9-11)

Big Idea: Jesus Christ perfectly reveals the glory of God because He is the Resurrection and the Life.

Implications & Application

- Jesus Christ is always worthy of our worship and highest praise because He is God incarnate ("in the flesh").
- Jesus Christ has infinite power over death because He is the God of Life.

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John 1:4; 3:14-16, 36; 4:13-14; 5:21, 24, 39-40, 6:27, 33-35, 40,
47-48; 6:63-69; 8:12; 10:10-18, 24-30; <mark>11:25;</mark> 12:23-26, 49-50;
14:6; 17:1-3; 20:31
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- Only Jesus Christ can save us from sin's curse of death because He is the God of Resurrection. We must believe in Him and worship Him alone if we would receive God's gift of eternal life. (John 3:16-18; 14:6)
- Jesus Christ has perfectly revealed the glory of God's grace and truth – how will you respond? In faith through belief and obedience—or in doubt through unbelief and disobedience? (Revelation 1:17-18)