

## Jesus, The Resurrection and the Life

### Discussion Questions for John 11:17-27

#### **Open It**

What is one of your greatest disappointments in life?

In what different ways do people respond when a loved one dies?

#### **Explore It**

What did Jesus find when He arrived at Bethany? (11:17)

What did Mary and Martha do when they heard that Jesus was coming? (11:20)

What did Martha say to Jesus about His having come after Lazarus had died? (11:21–22)

What did Jesus tell Martha Lazarus would do? (11:23)

How did Martha misunderstand Jesus? (11:24)

What did Martha and the others learn about Jesus' identity? (11:25)

What did Jesus say would happen to those who believed in Him? (11:26)

What belief did Martha express to Jesus? (11:27)

What did Martha tell Mary? (11:28)

What did Mary do after Martha told her Jesus was asking for her? (11:29)

Where did the Jews think Mary was going? (11:30–31)

How did Mary respond when she saw Jesus? (11:32)

What did Mary say to Jesus when He finally arrived? (11:32)

How did Jesus respond to the weeping by Mary and the others? (11:33–35)

What question did some people have about what Jesus could have done? (11:37)

#### **Get It**

When has God's response to your situation in life seemed untimely?

In what way do we sometimes second-guess God?

When do we tend to second-guess God?

How and when has God disappointed you?

Why are we sometimes disappointed by God?

How should we respond to disappointment?

When has God given you comfort in the middle of a sad time of life?

In what way is Jesus' response to Lazarus's death a model for us to follow?

**Apply It**

What attitude of disappointment do you need to confess to God and change to trust in His sovereign control?

How can you be a comfort to a struggling or hurting believer this week?