



# MESSAGE NOTES

## I AM the Resurrection and the Life

John 11:1-44

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### 1. God's Timing

**John 11:1-6** “ Now a man named Lazarus was sick. He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. 2 (This Mary, whose brother Lazarus now lay sick, was the same one who poured perfume on the Lord and wiped his feet with her hair.) 3 So the sisters sent word to Jesus, “Lord, the one you love is sick.” 4 When he heard this, Jesus said, “This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God’s glory so that God’s Son may be glorified through it.” 5 Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. 6 So when he heard that Lazarus was sick, he stayed where he was two more days,”

Like Mary and Martha, we may feel despair or impatience when help seems delayed.

### 2. Jesus Came to bring Life

**John 11:25-26**... “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; 26 and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?”

**John 11:33-38** When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. 34 “Where have you laid him?” he asked. “Come and see, Lord,” they replied. 35 Jesus wept. 36 Then the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” 37 But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?” 38 Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. 38 Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance.”

**Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead : John 11:41-44** “ So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. 42 I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.” 43 When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” 44 The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, “Take off the grave clothes and let him go.”

### 3. God's Purpose

Because Lazarus had been dead for four days, it was even more incredible when he was brought back to life. By raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus prepared His followers for His own resurrection. Many could understand God’s purpose by witnessing this. It was a powerful sample of what was to come. Jesus overcame death.

**Trust in God’s perfect timing and plan, even when it is beyond our own understanding.**

**Jesus came to give us life.**