

1 A man named Lazarus was sick. He lived in Bethany with his sisters, Mary and Martha. ² This is the Mary who later poured the expensive perfume on the Lord's feet and wiped them with her hair. Her brother, Lazarus, was sick. ³ So the two sisters sent a message to Jesus telling him, "Lord, your dear friend is very sick."

JOHN 11:1-3 NLT

So although Jesus loved Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, 6 he stayed where he was for the next two days. 7 Finally, he said to his disciples, "Let's go back to Judea."

JOHN 11:5-7 NLT

17 When Jesus arrived at Bethany, he was told that Lazarus had already been in his grave for four days. 18 Bethany was only a few miles down the road from Jerusalem, 19 and many of the people had come to console Martha and Mary in their loss.

JOHN 11:17-19 NLT

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JOHN 11:20-21 NLT

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JOHN 11:20-21 NLT

²³ Jesus told her, "Your brother will rise again."

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JOHN 11:23-24 NLT

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JOHN 11:23-24 NLT

IN MARTHA'S TIME OF GREAT NEED, JESUS WANTS HER TO LOOK DIRECTLY AT HIM. Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even after dying. ²⁶ Everyone who lives in me and believes in me will never ever die."

JOHN 11:25-26A NLT

Jesus was still angry as he arrived at the tomb, a cave with a stone rolled across its entrance. ³⁹ "Roll the stone aside," Jesus told them.

But Martha, the dead man's sister, protested, "Lord, he has been dead for four days. The smell will be terrible."

JOHN 11:38-39 NLT

Then Jesus shouted, "Lazarus, come out!"

And the dead man came out, his hands and feet bound in graveclothes, his face wrapped in a headcloth. Jesus told them, "Unwrap him and let him go!"

JOHN 11:43-44 NLT

HOW CAN WE APPLY THIS FOR OUR LIVES TODAY?

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DO WE BELIEVE THIS?

"Do you believe this, Martha?"

JOHN 11:26B NLT

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JOHN 11:38-39 NLT

Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been dead four days.

JOHN 11:39 KJV

But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing in him you will have life by the power of his name.

JOHN 20:31 NLT