

## ➤ Unit 11 - 1 (v 1-27): Jesus, the Resurrection and the Life

### A. Daily Study

**11** Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup> It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup> So the sisters sent to him, saying, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." <sup>4</sup> But when Jesus heard it he said, "This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

<sup>11</sup> After saying these things, he said to them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awaken him." <sup>12</sup> The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover." <sup>13</sup> Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. <sup>14</sup> Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus has died, <sup>15</sup> and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." <sup>16</sup> So Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

<sup>17</sup> Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ... <sup>20</sup> So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. <sup>21</sup> Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup> But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." <sup>23</sup> Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." <sup>24</sup> Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." <sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, <sup>26</sup> and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" <sup>27</sup> She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

### [🔍] In-depth Questions

1. Who is Mary of Bethany? (v 1-2) – See Luke 7:6-13
  - She pours an alabaster jar onto Jesus to prepare His death
2. What was the reason of Lazarus' illness? (v 3-4)
  - It is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.
3. What did Jesus mean, "Lazarus has fallen asleep?" (v 11-13)
  - Lazarus is dead
4. Why did Jesus rephrase the death of Lazarus? (v 14-15)
  - He planned to raise him from the dead, just like getting up from sleep.
5. What lesson did Jesus want to teach to His disciples? (v 12-15)
  - The dead body could be raised just like, getting up from sleeping. He probably wanted to teach the resurrection on the last day.
6. What does Thomas' comment mean? (v 16) – See v7-8
  - Bethany is near Jerusalem and in Judea. Jews tried to kill Jesus. Thomas might say that by thinking about the Jews' plan.

7. Why did Mary stay at home when Jesus arrived? (v 20)
  - She did not know Jesus' coming. (See v28-29) If she knew, she would go out and greet the Lord.
8. What did Martha believe? (v 21-22)
  - If Jesus were there, He would heal Lazarus. Now, she still believed that Jesus would do something better.
9. What did Martha believe about the resurrection? (v 23-24)
  - Resurrection on the last day
10. What did Jesus say to Martha? (v 25-26)
  - "I am the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he \_\_\_\_\_, <sup>26</sup> and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never \_\_\_\_\_.
11. How can we never die? (v 26)
  - We will physically die until Jesus comes back. At the time, our soul and resurrected body will reunite in Heaven. The resurrected body will be transformed like resurrected Jesus.
12. What was Martha's confession about Jesus? (v 27)
  - Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

## **B. Today's Chal-Q**

- ◆ How can you believe in the resurrection on the last day?

## **❖ Today's Memory Verse**

**John 11:25-26** – "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die." (ESV)