

Welcome

Worship Songs

“House of the Lord”
“Goodness of God”

New Members Reception

Prayer

Scripture for Today

John 11:1, 3, 20-22 (NIV)

Message

“God’s Snooze Button”

Jack D. Cohen

Offering/Worship Song

“So Will I (100 Billion X)”

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GOD'S SNOOZE BUTTON

"Now a man named Lazarus was sick. He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha... So the sisters sent word to Jesus, "Lord, the one you love is sick. 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. Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So when he heard that Lazarus was sick, he stayed where he was two more days...After he had said this, he went on to tell them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep; but I am going there to wake him up." His disciples replied, "Lord, if he sleeps, he will get better." Jesus had been speaking of his death, but his disciples thought he meant natural sleep. So then he told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead, and for your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Then Thomas (also known as Didymus^a) said to the rest of the disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him. On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home." – John 11:1, 3, 4-7, 11-20

■ With God, a _____ season is never a _____ season

CHARACTER FLAWS

■ Martha struggled with _____

- _____ do not mean Jesus is not interested & you are _____

■ Thomas struggled with _____ & _____

- _____ & _____ won't keep Jesus away

■ Mary struggled with _____

- _____ doesn't drive Jesus away

THINGS TO REMEMBER WHEN WAITING ON GOD

■ God's _____ are not necessarily God's _____

"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."– John 11:4

"On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days.– John 11:17

"When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home. "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask."– John 11:20-22

■ If God always _____, He'd never have the opportunity to _____ them

"Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha answered, I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die..."– John 11:23-26

"When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out..."– John 11:43-44

■ The scene of your greatest _____ may be the setting of God's greatest _____