

I am the resurrection and the life

John 11:1-45

For Starters

What steps have you taken in order to prepare for your death?

The Passage

Why does Jesus delay his return to Bethany? (v4,15, 23, 42)

How do the disciples react to idea of returning to Judea? (v8, 16)

Why is Jesus not as concerned? (v9-10)

What's the significance of Lazarus being "in the tomb for four days" when Jesus arrives?

What do Martha and Mary's reactions to Jesus in v. 21-22 and 32 show about their knowledge of his power?

After Jesus tells Martha that her brother will rise, he makes a startling claim. (v25-26)
What is the double meaning of this claim?

What do we learn from Jesus' response to the death of his friend? (v33-38)

What were the crowd and Martha expecting from Jesus when he came to the tomb?

What is the reaction of the crowd following the raising of Lazarus?

Application

Reflecting on v25-26. Jesus' claim and promise here is for all people at all times. Do you believe?

What difference does knowing Jesus make to you facing your own death?

What questions do you have surrounding what happens when we die?

The main point of the passage is ...

Pray thanking Jesus for the freedom he won for us according to Hebrews 2:14-15,

Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death - that is, the devil - and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.