

Harvest Bible Chapel
Small Group Questions
May 16, 2010

Just Jesus: Everything You Need...I AM
I am the Resurrection
John 11:1-44, 12:9-11

1. Who do you most identify with in this story? Why?
 - Lazarus – Sick, dead, resurrected, dangerous (physically or spiritually).
 - Martha – Disappointed, but full of faith running to Jesus.
 - Mary – Disillusioned, filled with doubt, in need of Jesus calling you to himself.
2. Read John 11:4, 40. We have talked a lot about God's glory since the beginning of the church? What is it?
3. How has the death someone you loved effected your relationship with the Lord? Was it unexpected? Did you feel loved or unloved by God? How did God bring glory to himself through it? If you haven't seen his glory through it, does that mean that he has not used it for his glory?
4. How have you seen God's specifically during times of difficulty or decay? Is it hard for you to believe you are loved by God when you are going through painful circumstances? Are you willing to embrace sickness or suffering (in you or those you love) if God may be glorified through it?
5. Read John 11:6. How do you think Mary and Martha felt when Jesus delayed going to Lazarus? What are you currently asking God to do that He seems to be delayed in answering? How has this affected your faith? Have you ever thought, "God, if you loved me you would...(fill in the blank)" What is in your blank?
6. Read John 11: 20, 28, 35-36, 38. Jesus pursued Mary in her doubt. How has he pursued you in yours? Have you been tempted to sit and cry in your self-pity when Jesus is calling you? When was the last time you wept? Over what? How does it affect you to know that Jesus is moved by your tears?
7. Read John 11:25. Because of original sin we all are sentenced death. Do you fear death? If so, could it indicate a disbelief that Jesus really is your resurrection and life? How does the truth that Jesus' life is more powerful than your death change your perspective of death for those who believe?
8. Read John 12:9-11. Why are those who believe that Jesus raises dead people are considered dangerous? Has your boldness in living and sharing as one who believes the promise of resurrection made you dangerous? If not, why not?