



Sermon Notes | November 13, 2022

Title: “Dead Man Walking”

Text: John 11

John 11 is the climax and finale of Jesus’ _____ ministry

Why did Jesus delay two more days after hearing about Lazarus’ illness?

Who said, “Let’s go die with him”? _____

What stands out to you about Jesus’ interaction with Martha?

Another “I AM” statement: I AM the _____ and the _____.

What stands out to you about Jesus’ interaction with Mary?

Does anything surprise you about Jesus’ actions at the tomb?

It’s ok to _____ and _____

It’s ok to feel deep _____

It’s ok to ask _____, bringing your doubts and frustrations to God

N.T. Wright: “...there are two sorts of grief, a _____ grief and a _____ grief. Hopeful grief is still grief.”

Jesus issues three commands:

1. Remove the _____
Martha’s worried about the _____
Jesus promises they will see God’s _____
2. Lazarus, come out!
3. _____ him and let him go.

What bigger reality is this sign pointing us to? (See Isaiah 11:6-6 & Revelation 21:3-6)

“...it is better for you that one man _____ for the people than that the whole nation _____.”

Going Deeper | Study & Discussion Questions

1. People tend to take Jesus literally when he speaks in metaphors and figures of speech (*eg*, born again, living water, bread from heaven, etc.). How do the disciples misunderstand Jesus this time, and how might that inform the way we talk about death?
2. Jesus tried to comfort Martha and Mary in different ways. Explain the difference. What do you find most comforting in your times of grief and sadness?
3. Talk about the emotions Jesus felt in this story. What does this tell us about him? Why do you think Jesus wept?
4. Why did the Pharisees and Jewish leaders want to kill Jesus even more after this sign?
5. What else stands out to you about this story?