



Surprised by Jesus' | Emotion

John 11:1-44 |

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SUMMARY

Jesus raising the dead is amazing. But I think if we were there - close enough to see his face and hear his voice, we would have been most surprised at His EMOTION.

We'd be Surprised by Jesus' tears. In Christianity, God is not a God who stands at a distance; He enters our world, draws near to us, and feels what we feel.

We'd be Surprised by Jesus' Anger. Jesus was "deeply moved in spirit." The word means "outraged/angry." Isn't it puzzling to see God, who can do anything He wants, get angry at a situation? Why? Because this is not the way it was supposed to be.

Jesus greatest miracle is about God's glory. Who can undo death? Only God. Jesus is "Glorified" as God.

Jesus' greatest miracle is about our belief. Jesus' mission was to undo what the Fall did (death and dysfunction), and to offer New Life. He did this through a life of obedience/sacrifice - for all who would have Him.

READ...

- **Read John 11:1-44** out loud
(if studying in a group, all but one person should keep their Bibles closed for now).
- **Read SLOWLY.** Line by line if you can.
- **Read as if for the first time.**

ASK...

1. **What does this passage tell us about God?**
Tell it plain. Don't be showy, or wordy.
2. **What does this passage tell us about people?**
Picture the scene/people. What stands out?
3. **What else did you learn from this passage?**
What **word** comes to mind after reading?
Why do you think God included this here in the Story?
4. **If you believed this was true, what could be the benefits and how might you apply it to your life?**
What do you want to do as a result of who Jesus is / what Jesus has done?
5. **What about this passage could you share with someone else, and who might that be?**