

JESUS WEPT

JOHN 11

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Introduction:

We have here in our text an amazing story. There are a number of messages and thoughts that could be delivered, but I would like to zero in on one.

1. COMPREHENSION OF THE SAVIOUR (vs. 4)

John 11:4

⁴When Jesus heard *that*, he said, This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby.

- A. The Lord knows all.

- B. The Lord knows what is best.

2. CHARACTER OF THE SAVIOUR

John 4:16

¹⁶ Jesus saith unto her, Go, call thy husband, and come hither.

- A. His love paid the sin debt of the world.
- B. His love has given us the Holy Spirit.
- C. His love gives us the promise of eternal life.
- D. His love gives us daily access to His presence through our prayer life and fellowship with him.

3. CONCERN OF THE SAVIOUR (vs. 33,35)

John 11:33-35

³³ When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled, ³⁴ And said, Where have ye laid him? They said unto him, Lord, come and see. ³⁵ Jesus wept.

- A. The Lord is touched by our hurt

Hebrews 4:15

¹⁵ For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as *we are*, yet without sin.

- B. The Lord is touched by those in need of Him.

Matthew 9:36

³⁶ But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

4. COMMAND OF THE SAVIOUR (VS. 39)

John 11:39

³⁹ Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been *dead* four days.

A. I believe this is a picture of things that hinder salvation.

B. We too need to remove the stones.

Romans 14:13

¹³ Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumblingblock or an occasion to fall in *his* brother's way.

1 Corinthians 8:9

⁹ But take heed lest by any means this liberty of yours become a stumblingblock to them that are weak.

5. CALL OF THE SAVIOUR (VS. 43-44)

John 11:43-44

⁴³ And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth. ⁴⁴ And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go.

- A. Call of salvation.
- B. Call of service.
- C. Call of separation.

6. THE COMMISSION OF THE SAVIOUR.

Matthew 28:19-20

¹⁹ Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: ²⁰ Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, *even* unto the end of the world. Amen.

Acts 1:8

⁸ But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Close:

The Lord is still calling today.

Calling for salvation

Calling to service

Calling to soul winning

Calling for separation

I believe that the Saviour is still weeping today when he sees so many who are still lost and on their way to Hell, and sees the attitude of those who claim to be saved, and yet are so unconcerned.

I afraid that we are living in a day of surface Christianity.

How do you take it easy when its fire burns with in?
How do you take it easy in a world crushed by sin?
How do you take it easy with a thousand tribes to tell?
How do you take it easy in a world that speeds to Hell?
How do you take it easy while the church sleeps in its ease?
How do you take it easy, would someone tell me please?