

John 11

King James Version (KJV)

11 Now a certain man was sick, named Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha. (Lazarus = Elezar <Greek- Hebrew>; Elezar was a true priest of God as in Numbers-20:28)

(This man Elezar was a friend of Jesus and a faithful Christian)

²(It was that Mary which anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick.) (Lazarus and his two sisters were very close friends and followers of Jesus)

³Therefore his sisters sent unto him, saying, Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is sick. (Jesus and Lazarus were close friends)

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. (Lazarus will be a type for Jesus in the resurrection)

(Here, Jesus will bring Lazarus back to life. He will do it in order to glorify God in the minds of the people who will witness this miracle. Only God has power over life and death)

(God came into the world, as Jesus, in order to defeat death, which is the devil) Hebrews-2:14

⁵Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus.

⁶When he had heard therefore that he was sick, he abode two days still in the same place where he was. (He didn't come right away. HE didn't want people to say that Lazarus was just unconscious. Jesus will go to Lazarus when everyone is convinced that he is truly dead)

NOTE: (God did that in order to help people to believe in Him. God wants everyone to believe so that they can have eternal life. Some will refuse no matter what proofs He provides. But most will see the light and believe)

⁷Then after that saith he to his disciples, Let us go into Judaea again.

⁸His disciples say unto him, Master, the Jews of late sought to stone thee; and goest thou thither again? (Jesus wasn't afraid of anyone. HE worked according to God's plan)

⁹ Jesus answered, Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of this world. (If you know where you're going and you know what you're doing you won't stumble. Jesus was working according to God's plan so He won't stumble)

¹⁰ But if a man walk in the night, he stumbleth, because there is no light in him. (Darkness is symbolic for ignorance and confusion)

(Most Christians today are spiritually ignorant and confused; because preachers don't teach the Bible chapter by chapter, verse by verse)

¹¹ These things said he: and after that he saith unto them, Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep. (Lazarus was long dead by now – at least 2 or 3 days)

¹² Then said his disciples, Lord, if he sleep, he shall do well.

¹³ Howbeit Jesus spake of his death: but they thought that he had spoken of taking of rest in sleep.

¹⁴ Then said Jesus unto them plainly, Lazarus is dead.

¹⁵ And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, to the intent ye may believe; nevertheless let us go unto him. (Jesus did this to teach the disciples that Christ came to defeat death, which is also the devil's name) see Hebrews-2:14

¹⁶ Then said Thomas, which is called Didymus, unto his fellow disciples, Let us also go, that we may die with him. (He didn't believe that Jesus would be successful against the Kenites. They were lying in wait to kill Him. But at least he was loyal enough to be willing to go die with Jesus)

¹⁷ Then when Jesus came, he found that he had lain in the grave four days already. (He was definitely dead, not in a coma. By their law, being dead for 4 days was proof of death to the Hebrew religion and to the Roman government)

¹⁸ Now Bethany was nigh unto Jerusalem, about fifteen furlongs off: (About 1¾ miles)

¹⁹ And many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother.

²⁰ Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him: but Mary sat still in the house.

²¹ Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. (She believed that Jesus could heal Lazarus while he was sick; but she didn't know that Jesus has power over life and death. She thought that it was too late)

²² But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee. (She has faith in Jesus)

²³ Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again. (Death means nothing to God. Jesus is God with us) Isaiah-7:14

²⁴ Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. (They believed in the afterlife) Ecclesiastes-12:6-7

²⁵ Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: (I am - is the name of God <Yah>; Yahoveh = I Am that I Am – God named Himself for Moses' benefit on Mount Sinai when He gave him the Ten Commandments) see Exodus 3:12-15

(Jesus is God. God is life. HE is the God of the living, not the dead. Those who believe in Him will have eternal life in the Third Age)

²⁶ And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this? (Do you believe or not? There is no in between)

²⁷ She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world. (Christ = Christos <Greek> = the anointed One) (Son of God = the begotten of God = God in the flesh)

²⁸ And when she had so said, she went her way, and called Mary her sister secretly, saying, The Master is come, and calleth for thee.

²⁹ As soon as she heard that, she arose quickly, and came unto him.

³⁰ Now Jesus was not yet come into the town, but was in that place where Martha met him.

³¹ The Jews then which were with her in the house, and comforted her, when they saw Mary, that she rose up hastily and went out, followed her, saying, She goeth unto the grave to weep there. (This was drawing the whole group to the grave. They will witness the miracle of Lazarus' resurrection from death)

NOTE: (Jesus didn't perform these miracles secretly. HE wanted people to see and to know that He was God, in the flesh. His Word is the truth and is undeniable)

³² Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. (Same as Martha said)

³³ When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled. (More like a horse snorting. HE was disappointed at their lack of faith)

³⁴ And said, Where have ye laid him? They said unto him, Lord, come and see.

³⁵ Jesus wept. (At their lack of faith in God's plan for us. Jesus knew that Lazarus was alive, with the Father, in Paradise. HE wasn't weeping for Lazarus)

³⁶ Then said the Jews, Behold how he loved him! (They thought that Jesus was mourning Lazarus)

³⁷ And some of them said, Could not this man, which opened the eyes of the blind, have caused that even this man should not have died? (They had seen Jesus heal the sick but they had never witnessed His power over death)

³⁸ Jesus therefore again groaning in himself cometh to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it.

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. (Jesus wanted them to know for sure that he was raising Lazarus from the dead, so he waited 4 days before coming. This way, no one could say that Lazarus only looked dead but was just sick, or in a coma)

NOTE: (This was not a near-death experience for Lazarus. He was dead and buried 4 days)

⁴⁰ Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God? (God is eternal life. Jesus is God with us. Eternal life was standing right in front of them, but they couldn't see it)

⁴¹ Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. (Jesus is God. HE wasn't talking to Himself. HE was teaching people by example, as a flesh man)

⁴² And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me. (Jesus was teaching the people by example)

⁴³ And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth. (Although bound hand and foot, and dead, God brought him forth; out of his tomb, still bound with linen)

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. (The truth sets us free. God's Word is the truth)

NOTE: (Lazarus was bound hand and foot. He couldn't walk. Jesus levitated him out of the tomb and brought him back to life with a single word)

⁴⁵ Then many of the Jews which came to Mary, and had seen the things which Jesus did, believed on him. (How could they not believe? They just witnessed God's power over death)

(That is why Jesus waited the 4 days to resurrect Lazarus – in order to give these people a chance at salvation and eternal life with God)

⁴⁶ But some of them went their ways to the Pharisees, and told them what things Jesus had done. (This is going to throw the Pharisees for a loop. Now they'll be more determined than ever to murder Jesus)

⁴⁷ Then gathered the chief priests and the Pharisees a council, and said, What do we? for this man doeth many miracles.

⁴⁸ If we let him thus alone, all men will believe on him: and the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation. (Their money making religion would end)

⁴⁹ And one of them, named Caiaphas, being the high priest that same year, said unto them, Ye know nothing at all, (Caiaphas = depression) (He was not a true priest appointed by God. He was appointed by a Roman governor)

⁵⁰ Nor consider that it is expedient for us, that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not. (Although this evil man is out to destroy Jesus, he is now quoting God's Word)

(God put the words in his mouth in order to show the people that the prophecy is coming true. God uses whoever He will to teach His Word. Caiaphas was quoting Psalms-22)

⁵¹ And this spake he not of himself: but being high priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus should die for that nation; (God uses whomever he chooses, to teach us; even the enemy. This was divine intervention by God)

NOTE: (Caiaphas will quote more of the Bible as Jesus is persecuted and crucified. The enemy's power is nothing compared to the power and wisdom of God)

⁵² And not for that nation only, but that also he should gather together in one the children of God that were scattered abroad. (This was always a part of God's plan. The tribes of Jacob are all 12 tribes of Israel) see Isaiah-49:5-6

(Caiaphas seems to understand what the Hebrew manuscripts say about the Messiah; yet he doesn't recognize Him when He is standing right in front of him)

⁵³ Then from that day forth they took counsel together for to put him to death. (The "church", plotting the murder of Messiah; some religion)

NOTE: (The Kenites are still working today to ridicule and harm Christianity. They work with Muslims, communists and atheists to subvert and shame Christians whenever possible)

⁵⁴ Jesus therefore walked no more openly among the Jews; but went thence unto a country near to the wilderness, into a city called

Ephraim, and there continued with his disciples. (Ephraim = double fruitful)

(It wasn't time yet for Jesus to become the Passover Lamb. HE needed to teach many more people and work many more miracles in order to fulfill His ministry. God works according to His time table; not men's)

⁵⁵ And the Jews' passover was nigh at hand: and many went out of the country up to Jerusalem before the passover, to purify themselves.

⁵⁶ Then sought they for Jesus, and spake among themselves, as they stood in the temple, What think ye, that he will not come to the feast? (They were lying in wait to ambush Jesus and to kill Him – at Passover, of all times. But it was God's plan that He would become our Passover sacrifice for all time)

(The devil can't stop God's plan, nor change His timeline. God knew this bunch from the First Age. HE knew that they would resort to murder, when cornered)

⁵⁷ Now both the chief priests and the Pharisees had given a commandment, that, if any man knew where he were, he should shew it, that they might take him. (They intimidated the public by threatening excommunication for anyone who opposed them)