

STUDENT WEEKEND

Pastor Justin (J-Matt) Matthews

John 11:1-44

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The following questions are intended to use in discussion and application of the past week's sermon.

Listening

What part of the sermon was most helpful to you or challenged you to think and/or live differently? How will you apply this message to your life?

Engaging

Have someone read John 12:1-18. Jesus's relationship with Mary and her family was multifaceted and John 11:3 & 11:5 tell us there was a unique relationship of affection. Why do you think these verses are included at the beginning of such an emotional, desperate time for everyone involved? What does 'he whom you love' and 'Jesus loved [these people]' contribute to understanding the narrative that would be lacking if they were not there?

Applying

Jesus could have proclaimed Lazarus raised from the dead at an point. Discuss how this account shows us that God may not always remove us from our struggles but is faithful to come alongside us through them (and most often uses others to do it).

As Pastor Justin shared, our students (of our church family and of our community) need adults throughout their lives that will be present with them and help them through their mighty challenges. How might you be able to extend support and care to this ministry?

Praying

In light of this message and discussion:

How can we pray for each other?

Where do you feel challenged or convicted?

What can we praise God for?

How can we pray for our church?