

Signs: Raising The Dead | Discussion Questions 8.9.15

Share a time when you have responded to someone in need.

Share a time when someone has responded to you when you were in need.

Try to list the six signs that have been recorded in John up to this point. How has Jesus responded to people in need in the first six signs?

Read John 11:5, 6. Why do you think Jesus has this strange reaction to people "he loved"?

Read John 11:4, 11. What do you think the disciples are thinking based on what Jesus is doing and saying?

James Dobson states, "Haven't you noticed that Jesus usually shows up 4 days late?" Do you agree with Dobson's sentiment?

Read John 11:21, 32. Why do you think Martha and Martha have the exact same response to Jesus?

Read John 11:21-27. What do you learn from Jesus interaction with Martha?

Read John 11:32-38 (*New Living Translation*). Jesus shows deep emotion that seems to be anger. Does the anger in Jesus surprise you? Why is he angry?

Jesus says a prayer "You always hear me, but I said it out loud for the sake of all these people standing here, so that they will believe you sent me." What can we learn from this prayer about trusting Jesus' timing?

In the story, we learn that Jesus is fully God and fully human. Do you have difficulty with either of these aspects of Jesus' life?