

Lesson 73: John 11:1-17

1. Chapter 11 Theme: _____

2. v1-17: The Preparation:

- a. How does John begin this chapter?
- b. What does the name Lazarus mean?
- c. The event mentioned in verse 2 occurs in the future, so why does John bring it to our attention at this time?
- d. Since Mary's anointing of Jesus' feet does not occur until after the events of chapter 11, the actions of Mary and Martha as recorded in verse 3 might seem a bit forward if not for what?

1) *Read* Luke 10:38-42.

2) What was Martha's problem?

- a) She was so busy trying to _____ the Lord that she had no time to _____ Him.
- b) She does not understand the difference between _____ and "_____".
- c) She did not like the fact that _____ was doing all this _____ while her _____ was just _____ listening to Jesus.

3) How did Jesus handle her problem?

- a) Jesus tells Martha that she did not need to go through all the effort to produce a _____ when _____ would have been sufficient.
- b) He adds that it would have been far more _____ and _____ if she had spent the time required to prepare the _____ portions of the meal _____ at His feet with her sister.

4) What can we learn from Mary?

- a) There is a time to _____ and a time to be _____.

- b) Even those performing true service for the Lord can experience _____ if they forget or do not realize that their own spirit must be _____.
- c) Jesus does not want His children to be on a _____.
- e. Jesus is going to use Lazarus' death to teach us quite a few spiritual lessons. The first one, which is contained in these 17 verses, is that God sometimes requires His children to go through _____ so that He can be _____.
- 1) *Read* 2 Corinthians 12:9.
 - 2) How is God glorified through our tribulation?
 - a) By the way we _____.
 - b) By what He does to _____.
 - c) _____.
- f. Why, after hearing the news that Lazarus is sick, does Jesus wait two days before He begins His journey to Bethany?

3. Homework: Determine the theme of verses 18-27.