THAT YOU MAY KNOW

Resurrection and Life John 11:17-27 October 16, 2022

Jesus said to her, I am the resurrection and the life... - John 11:25

I. JESUS IS THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE

- · Comfort those who are grieving.
- · Suffer with those who suffer.
- · People respond differently when grieving.
- We do not always trust God in our grieving.
- · God does everything for his glory and our good.
- God is always good and he always does good (Psalm 119:68).
- When Jesus returns all people will be raised from the dead (Daniel 12:2; John 5:28-29).
- Jesus did not say he will be the resurrection and the life. He said, "I am the resurrection and the life" (John 11:26).
- Eternal life begins the moment a person trusts in Jesus as Lord and Savior (John 5:24).
- Though those in Christ will die physically (unless still alive when Jesus returns) they will remain spiritually alive (Philippians 1:21; 2 Corinthians 5:8).
- There is great hope because Jesus is the resurrection and the life.
- We can grieve with hope through trusting in God's character, his promises and his gospel.
- Do you believe that Jesus is the resurrection and the life?

- Jesus' resurrected life is more powerful than the forces of death!
- There is hope in the present and for the future because Jesus is the resurrection and the life!

KNOW: There is hope in the present and for the future because Jesus is the resurrection and the life!

DO: Trust that Jesus is the resurrection and the life!

Suggested Reading:

Systematic Theology by Wayne Grudem (Chapters 28, 34, 41 and 42).

Questions/Discovery Points for Life Groups/Families

Please Read John 11:17-27

- Give examples of unbiblical thinking that you have had and/or been tempted to have when facing trials, suffering and/or the death of loved ones.
- 2. What does it mean, practically, to suffer with those who suffer? Give examples of someone dying and other forms of trials and suffering.
- 3. What are some specific things about God's character, his promises, and the gospel that we can trust in so that we grieve with hope in a way that glorifies God?
- 4. Read John 11:25-26 again. Jesus did not say he will be the resurrection and the life. He said, "I am the resurrection and the life" (John 11:26). What does this mean?
- What does it mean for us in the present and in the future that Jesus is the resurrection and the life? How does trusting in this help us to trust and obey God? Give specific examples from everyday life.