

Discussion Questions for “The King Arrives”

John 11:1-44 (Reading: 11:17-27), Pastor Tom Olson, Weekend of March 28th & 29th, 2026

Sermon Outline

The love of Jesus Christ (vv. 3, 5).

The promise of Jesus Christ (vv. 25-26).

The grief of Jesus Christ (vv. 35-36).

The power of Jesus Christ (vv. 39-44).

The question of Jesus Christ (vv. 26-27).

Sermon Questions

1. Why are you grateful for the love of Jesus Christ today?
 - a. Has this gratitude grown stale at all?
 - b. What could warm your heart again?
2. Why is important to know that even people Jesus loves get sick (v. 3)...
 - a. ...doctrinally?
 - b. ...personally?
3. Do you feel comfortable praying to Jesus like Martha talks to Jesus in verse 21?
 - a. Why or why not?
 - b. If not, what can help you learn to pray with this kind of honesty?
4. Think of someone in your life who doesn't know Jesus (maybe your “one” in our *Three Ones* initiative).
 - a. How would you explain to them – in a clear and understandable way – what Jesus promises in verses 25-26?
 - b. Particularly, why can Jesus say that we will *never die*?
5. What impact does it make on you, *personally*, to know that Jesus wept at Lazarus' tomb, even though He knew that He'd soon raise his friend from the dead?
6. Try to come up with 3-4 practical insights from the question Jesus asks Martha in verse 26, along with the way she responds in verse 27.
 - a. These could be personal to you.
 - b. Or these could be tied to your ministry to others.
7. Any other takeaways from this passage or message?