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- A. The Desperate Time (10:22-23)
 - 1. The need for cleansing (10:22) Jeremiah 8:20
 - 2. The needed was outside (10:23) Acts 3:11
- B. The Determined Debate (10:24-26)
 - 1. The disingenuous question (10:24) Proverbs 26:4-5
 - 2. The direct answer (10:25)
 - 3. The decisive reason (10:26)

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- C. The Destiny Of The Delivered (10:27-30)
 - 1. They are different than you (10:27)
 - 2. They have a destination that you need (10:28)
 - 3. They have a defender instead of you (10:29-30)
 - 4. They have a determination that you do not have (10:29-30)

Romans 8:38-39

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- D. The Disgust Of The Depraved (10:31-33)
 - 1. Their opposition (10:31)
 - 2. Their obstinance (10:32-33)
- E. The Dilemma Of The Deceived (10:34-38)
 - 1. Christ's answer (10:34) Psalm 82:5-7
 - **2. Christ's application (10:35-36)**
 - 3. Christ's assessment (10:37-38) Who is the blasphemer now?

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F. The Departure Of The Divine (10:39-42)

- **1. From the danger (10:39)**
- 2. To the desert (10:40)
- 3. For the devoted (10:41-42)

The Greater Need John 11:1-16

Jesus Needs To Raise You Spiritually More Than Heal You Physically

John 11:1-3

- 1 Now a certain man was sick, named Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha. 2 (It was that Mary which anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick.)
- 3 Therefore his sisters sent unto him, saying, Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is sick.

A. A special family (11:1)

Luke 10:38-42

38 Now it came to pass, as they went, that he entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house.

39 And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word.

40 But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me.

- A. A special family (11:1) continued Luke 10:38-42
- 41 And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things:
- 42 But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.

B. A special request (11:3)

Philippians 4:6

Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

Hebrews 4:16

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

C. A special reason (11:3)

1 John 4:9

In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

II. A Specific Sickness (11:4-6)

John 11:4-6

- 4 When Jesus heard that, he said, This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby.
- 5 Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus.
- 6 When he had heard therefore that he was sick, he abode two days still in the same place where he was.

II. A Specific Sickness (11:4-6)

- A. The symptoms involved (11:4)
 - 1. Not unto death
 - 2. For the glory of God
- John 9:3-4
- 3 Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.
- 4 I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.

II. A Specific Sickness (11:4-6)

B. The special declaration (11:5)

Romans 5:5

And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

C. The specific delay (11:6)

Psalm 27:14

Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.

A. With no return (11:7)

John 11:7

Then after that saith he to his disciples, Let us go into Judaea again.

B. With negative recollection (11:8)

John 11:8

His disciples say unto him, Master, the Jews of late sought to stone thee; and goest thou thither again?

Psalm 56:4

In God I will praise his word, in God I have put my trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto me.

1 John 4:18

There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

C. With necessary resolve (11:9-10)

John 11:9-10

- 9 Jesus answered, Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of this world.
- 10 But if a man walk in the night, he stumbleth, because there is no light in him.

- D. With needed reasons (11:11-15)
 - 1. To refine the disciples' thinking (vv 11-13)
- John 11:11-13
- 11 These things said he: and after that he saith unto them, Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep.
- 12 Then said his disciples, Lord, if he sleep, he shall do well.
- 13 Howbeit Jesus spake of his death: but they thought that he had spoken of taking of rest in sleep.

- D. With needed reasons (11:11-15) continued
 - 2. To revive Lazurus (v 14)

John 11:14

Then said Jesus unto them plainly, Lazarus is dead.

3. To reveal Himself to the disciples

John 11:15

And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, to the intent ye may believe; nevertheless let us go unto him.

E. With resignation (11:16)

John 11:16

Then said Thomas, which is called Didymus, unto his fellowdisciples, Let us also go, that we may die with him

Ready For Christ's Resurrection Power?