



## So We Would Know

John 11:1

# What is Courage?

**John 11:1** A man named Lazarus was sick. He lived in Bethany with His sisters, Mary and Martha. <sup>2</sup> This is the Mary who poured the expensive perfume on the Lord's feet and wiped them with her hair. Her brother, Lazarus, was sick. <sup>3</sup> So the two sisters sent a message to Jesus telling Him, "Lord, the one you love is very sick." <sup>4</sup> But when Jesus heard about it He said, "Lazarus's sickness will not end in death. No, it is for the glory of God. I, the Son of God, will receive glory from this." **NLT**

1. Jesus is drawing glory for Himself NOT because He needed it but rather because we \_\_\_\_\_ needed to know Who He is.

**John 11:5** Although Jesus loved Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, <sup>6</sup> He stayed where He was for the next two days and did not go to them. <sup>7</sup> Finally after two days, He said to His disciples, "Let's go to Judea again." <sup>8</sup> But His disciples objected. "Teacher," they said, "only a few days ago the Jewish leaders in Judea were trying to kill you. Are you going there again?" <sup>9</sup> Jesus replied, "There are twelve hours of daylight every day. As long as it is light, people can walk safely. They can see because they have the light of this world. <sup>10</sup> Only at night is there danger of stumbling because there is no light." <sup>11</sup> Then He said, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but now I will go and wake him up." <sup>12</sup> The disciples said, "Lord, if he is sleeping, that means he is getting better!" <sup>13</sup> They thought Jesus meant Lazarus was having a good night's rest, but Jesus meant Lazarus had died. <sup>14</sup> Then He told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. <sup>15</sup> And for your sake, I am glad I wasn't there, because this will give you another opportunity to believe in Me. Come, let's go see him." <sup>16</sup> Thomas, nicknamed the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let's go, too — and die with Jesus." **NLT**

Lesson #37

2. Fact: Following Jesus takes \_\_\_\_\_!
3. The most difficult decisions in life are often the ones where our \_\_\_\_\_ is in conflict with our faith in Christ.
4. Real courage is exhibited when you \_\_\_\_\_ the emotion of fear with your faith in Christ.
5. The debilitating emotion of fear and actions of faith are often in \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Courage is a great \_\_\_\_\_ to God
7. What are \_\_\_\_\_ fears? What are the trust areas of your life you have a difficult time giving over to Jesus?
  - a. Why do you have this \_\_\_\_\_?
  - b. Why is faith, in this circumstance, so \_\_\_\_\_?
  - c. Knowing that fear is real but it cannot be allowed to take control of your decisions, what do you \_\_\_\_\_ to do?
8. Letting any fear stop you from making a \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ is irrational for anyone calling himself a Christian.

**"Courage is resistance to fear, mastery of fear - not absence of fear." Mark Twain**