



Outline - Sunday, October 15, 2017

Sermon Title: “Our Friend Lazarus Sleepeth”

Scripture Reading: John 11:1-16

1. **The Conversion of a family of Sinners** – vs 1, 3, 5
 - a. Love and sickness go together – Isa 61:1-2/Luke 4:18/Ca 2:5; 5:8
 - b. The notorious Love of Mary for Christ – vs 2; 12:1-4/Luke 7:34
 - c. The sister’s spiritual wisdom is clear – James 5:14
 - d. Loving the sick is *the measure* and *motive* for our *mission* – vs 11/James 1:26

2. **The Communion of the Savior in their household** – vs 5
 - a. Confirmed by our total reception of Him – John 1:12 – (Welcome)
 - b. Bible based/Cross centered/Service out of love – Rom 16:14
 - c. Noah’s family/Abraham’s family/Manoah His Wife/Sons of Recab – Jer 35:1-19

3. **The Commitment of His Father’s Glory in our Calamity** – vs 4
 - a. Timing is everything – Eccl 8:5/Matt 10:8; 11:1-5
 - b. God *waits to act* for His own glory – Gen 15:13-16/Hosea 5:15
 - c. It is for your good – vs 14-15/Isa 8:18

4. **The Commitment of true discipleship with Christ** – vs 7
 - a. The Human element on display – vs 8, 11
 - b. The Mission more important than the threat – vs 9-10
 - c. The Bride of Christ says Yes to Him – Ruth 1:16-17/Gen 24:58