

A Dangerous Act

To Hope

Discussion Points

March 27, 2022

Read/Reflect

1. Read John 11:1-44. As you read the entire story wonder and share about what your reaction and responses might have been to the various circumstances of the story?
2. What imagination for the future did the disciples have when Jesus suggested going back to see Lazarus (vs.8)
3. What imagination for the future did Mary and Martha have while their brother lay dying? (vs. 21, vs. 32)

Explore

4. What kinds of things do you hope for right now? List as many things as you can. The following are suggestions:

<input type="checkbox"/> I hope I make it through the day	<input type="checkbox"/> I hope people will like me
<input type="checkbox"/> I hope I'm successful in my career	<input type="checkbox"/> I hope for peace in the world
<input type="checkbox"/> I hope for healing of ...	<input type="checkbox"/> I hope I can bring change...
<input type="checkbox"/> I hope I get rich	<input type="checkbox"/> I hope: _____
5. What would you say is the basis of your hopes and dreams? What does it mean to make Jesus the foundation of hope (John 11:25)?
6. What are your hopes for justice (in your life, neighbourhood, the world)? How does "Jesus the resurrection" inspire that hope? How does worship of Jesus shape your imagination for justice?

Pray

- ✝ Pray that your worship of Jesus will broaden your imagination for justice and mercy in the world.
- ✝ Pray for specific concerns of injustice in the world today (e.g. local poverty and homelessness, disregard for the environment, war, domestic violence, refugees, hunger, political corruption, etc.)



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