

Grace Group Study Guide
John: The Rejection of the Son of Man- Week 11
John 11:17-37

1. John 11:17-22

- Bethany was close to Jerusalem. Why is this significant to know since Jesus was traveling there?
- What does John 11:19 teach us about Mary, Martha and Lazarus?
- What did Martha declare to Jesus in V21? How can we interpret this? How can we relate this her statement? Martha continues in V22, how should we best understand this statement?

2. John 11:23-27

- What does it mean that Jesus is the resurrection and the life?
- Compare and contrast the seven “I AM” statements. (John 6:35, 48, 51; 8:12; 10:7, 9; 10:11, 14; 11:25; 14:6 and 15:1,5.)
- John 11:25-26: How does Jesus provide a three-fold declaration of deity?
- John 11:26-27: How does Martha affirm Jesus identity as God and mission as the Son of God? What are the titles and missional affirmation so important?

3. John 11:28-31

- How does Mary’s response contrast with Martha’s response to Jesus? Think about their actions and words.
- Who followed Mary and why did they follow her?

4. John 11:32-37

- Upon arrival to Jesus, what did Mary do?
- Mary and the crowd were “weeping.” How are we to understand this?
- What does it mean that Jesus was deeply moved and greatly troubled?
- Jesus wept: How is this different than those who were weeping?
- Upon reviewing the text, locate the reference to Jesus divinity and humanity? In your own words explain how Jesus is all God and all man.
- How does this text affirm the importance of theology, divine revelation, salvation in Christ alone and our need to be God’s faithful people?