## GREIVING FOR THE GLORY OF GOD DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

JOHN 11:1-42

II Re	<b>ead John 11:1—6.</b> List everything you learn about the relationships and history between Jesus, Lazarus, Mary, and Martha.
	a. How would you expect Jesus to respond to their plea? How does he respond?
	b. Explain the "So" or "Therefore" at the beginning of John 11:6. How does what comes after the "So" follow from what came before? And how does what Jesus says in John 11:4 inform your explanation?
	<b>That was the purpose for Lazarus' death?</b> What is the underlying reason for all of God's works, from the creation of the world to the redemp on of sinners, the judgment of unbelievers, to the manifestation of his greatness?
8	a. God's glory is intrinsic to his nature, such that, it is reflected in his name. Notice what God is called in Ps. 29:3, Acts 7:2, 1 Sam. 15:28, Ps. 24:7-10, and 1 Cor. 2:8.
•	b. How could the most painful thing in your life right now, the most troubling circumstance you are experiencing be intended to magnify the glory of God?
	<b>Ieditate on Psalm 84:11.</b> "For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from lose who walk uprightly."
•	a. When in your life have you experienced something difficult, recognizing it was actually a good thing, a gift from God?
ø	b. How is God's glory and our good an apparent contradiction?

	Q c. Discuss the eternal component for understanding this contradiction.	
	🖤 d. Spend time praising God for who He is, your sun and shield.	
4	What is the chief end of man? What is your purpose? The Westminster Shorter Catechism has put into the follo Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.	wing phrase a biblical answer:
	a. Consider what the glory of God in your life means: Ps. 86:9; Isa. 60:21; Rom. 11:36; I Cor. 6:20; 10:31; Rev. 4:11	
	b. Consider what the the enjoyment of God in your life means: Ps. 16:5-11; 144:15; Isa. 12:2; Luke 2:10; Phil. 4:4; R	Pev. 21:3-4
	c. How are you fulfilling your purpose at this point of your life?	
	♀ d. What is a competing purpose that you need to confess to God and to godly community?  ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■	AYER REQUESTS
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5	5 Read Jesus's prayer in John 17. How does his prayer, especially verses 1–5 and 24 affect your understand of love (his love for us, and our love for others)?	
	<ul> <li>a. John 11 says Jesus loved Lazarus, Mary, and Martha. What does John 11:1–6 teach us about love?</li> </ul>	