



“Unstuck”

John 11:1-45 | 03.26.23

Sermon Recap

- Its easy to get “stuck” in life (i.e., unable to move forward)
- There are many reasons we can get stuck: We get stuck because of unresolved trauma, failure, grief, loss, fear, etc.
- In the story of Mary and Martha, the word for “stuck” is “here” (i.e., Their home. The place where they watched Lazarus die).
- Jesus does not weep with them at their home; he goes to the place where Lazarus is buried and weeps.
- Jesus helps them move from the place where they watched Lazarus die to the place where they watch him be raised back to life.
- According to Jesus, “resurrection” is not just an event, it is a person. Jesus says, “I am the resurrection and the life.”
- Jesus not only gives us hope for the future, but he gives us hope now. Hope for resurrection—moving from “here,” to “there,” “stuck,” to “unstuck”

Questions for Reflection and Discussion:

1. Which of the characters from The Adventures of Winnie the Pooh do you identify with the most?
2. Can you think of a time in your life when you were “stuck” emotionally, spiritually, or even as a result of your physical health? If so, share with the group if you’re comfortable.
3. What are your impressions of this week’s Scripture text? What stands out to you, raises questions, gives you hope, or challenges you?
4. What does resurrection look like for you?
5. How have you witnessed God’s grace recently?
6. How can we pray for you?