

# He Gets Us™

## Jesus Experienced Grief and Loss

**Scripture:** John 11:17-44

**Sermon Points:**

1. Jesus experienced the grief and loss of a friend, and He defeated death with resurrection life.
2. Jesus is with us in our grief and loss.
3. Jesus is the Life Giver for all who give themselves to Him.

**NOTE:** This message deals with death and has a tone that could feel heavy. Please press into this by leading through example and take your personal sharing to a new level of depth.

**Group Opener:** Tell us about how you and your family celebrate Easter. Share with the group the fun traditions and meaningful moments your family shared.

**Discussion Questions:**

Go around the circle and share stories/celebrations about Easter services. How was this year's Easter services significant, what prayers have you seen answered?

The Easter message was all about Jesus and his friend Lazarus death. When you read the words, "Jesus wept," what does that tell you about our God?

Read and discuss John 11:25-26

Have you ever been through a time of grief and loss that made you question the presence or goodness of God? What was that like for you?

Do you ever find yourself angry with sin and death in your own life and in the culture around you like Jesus did? (See John 11:33 & 38). If so, how do you deal with that?

Over the next couple weeks we will be looking at how Jesus dealt with family issues, anxiety, being accused of partying too much and was judged by religious people. Take a few min to pray for all those who could be reached by the **He Gets Us** series.