

John 11:1-16:33**Thursday, May 20 – John 11:1-53**

1. Sally found out she has terminal cancer and was given a few months to live. Sally is a Christian woman, but she struggles with the thought of dying and leaving this world. How can you use Jesus' words in verse 4 to comfort Sally and encourage her to be a witness to others during this difficult time?
2. Verse 11: How does Jesus' description of death – "asleep" – make you feel about your own death?
3. In verse 41, we're told that Jesus looked up to heaven and prayed first before performing the miracle. Why is this significant? How do Jesus' actions serve as an example to us before we take on tasks?

Friday, May 21 – John 11:54-12:19

4. In 12:7,8, what 4 truths is Jesus teaching us?

Saturday, May 22 - John 12:20-50

1. Where are the gospel messages in the following phrases?

"Now is the time for judgment on this world."

"Now the prince of this world will be driven out."

"When I am lifted up from the earth . . ."

"[I] will draw all men to myself."

Sunday, May 23 – John 13:1-30

13:27, "*Satan entered into him*"—Throughout this account we must realize that Judas had opened his heart to Satan. He was a thief (John 12:6) and had been stealing from the treasury for a long time. Everything that happened, happened because the Scriptures foretold it. God directed Judas to betray Jesus, yet the sin and guilt belonged to Judas because he willingly performed this act.

Martin Luther wrote this about chapters 14–17 of John, "Indeed, here we find the best and most comforting sermon preached by Christ while on this earth" (*Luther's Works* [LW] Vol. 24, p. 7).

Monday, May 24 – John 13:31-14:14

2. Jesus called himself “the way and the truth and the life.” What does each picture teach us?

“the way”

“the truth”

“the life”

3. Comment on this thought from Luther: “In His concern for them He forgets His own anguish and anxiety, which must have filled His heart at this time . . .” (LW, Vol. 24,p. 7). How can we learn from Jesus’ example?

Tuesday, May 25 – John 14:15-31

4. In these verses – 15, 21,23, Jesus reiterates the “work” of a disciple three times. What is the work?
5. Verse 18 – Considering Jesus is close to his death, what is significant of the phrase Jesus speaks, “I will not leave you as orphans?”

Wednesday, May 26 – John 15:1-27

6. Our justification is a completed action (done so on the cross). How do verses 2, 3 show us that our life of sanctification (saying “thank you” to Jesus for saving us) is an ongoing process?
7. Why does Jesus go from calling the disciples “servants” to now addressing them as “friends?”