

CHARGE Youth Discussion Questions Outline

GRADE
7-12

Date & Week

July 20, 2025 (Wk 9)

Bible Focus

John 11:32-36

Theme Focus

The Love of Jesus

Discussion Questions

Main Point: Jesus shows his love by caring deeply for people. When Mary was heartbroken, Jesus didn't just stand by, he cried with her. His tears show us that Jesus loves us and is with us when we're sad or hurting.

Warm-up questions

1. Who are the people who love you unconditionally?

Read John 11:32-36

2. What emotions does Mary reveal when Jesus arrives?

3. How did Jesus react when he saw the grief of Lazarus's friends and family (v33)?

4. What do you think that tells us about how Jesus responds to human suffering?

5. Nearly every Bible uses the word wept (instead of cried) to describe Jesus' reaction to seeing Lazarus laid out. What does the use of this word tell us about the way Jesus felt?

6. What did people then realise about how Jesus felt about Lazarus?

7. What does this story teach us about how Jesus loves us?

8. What does it mean that love is *more than a feeling*? How is the kind of love Jesus shows different from how the world often talks about love?

Application

9. What does it look like to love someone the way God sees them - as worthy and made in his image, even when it's hard?

10. Jesus' love is unconditional. How does that truth affect how you see yourself? How should it affect how we love others?

11. Is there someone in particular that you would like to ask the Holy Spirit to help you love more unconditionally this week?

Prayer

Dear God, Thank you for showing us what real love looks like. Thank you that you understand our sadness and stay close when we're hurting. Help us to see others the way you do, as people made by God, loved by God, and worth loving no matter what. Help us to show your love in the way we treat others. Amen.

When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. "Where have you laid him?" he asked. "Come and see, Lord," they replied. Jesus wept. Then the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" John 11:33-36