



"I am the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valleys."

**SHARON**

Seeking His Abundance, Receiving Our Nourishment



## John Lesson Thirteen

**Read John 11.**

1. Where was Jesus when He received the message from Mary and Martha that Lazarus was sick? See John 10:40.

2. What expectations of Jesus did Mary and Martha have when they sent the message to Him?

3. What did Jesus mean when He said, "This sickness is not unto death?"

4. How was Lazarus' sickness for the glory of God and the glory of the Son of God?

5. Since Jesus loved Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, why did Jesus wait two more days before leaving to go to Bethany?

6. Can you think of other instances recorded in John where Jesus did not immediately respond to requests made of Him?

7. Why did Jesus' disciples question Him concerning His returning to Judea?

8. What is the significance of Jesus' answer in verses nine and ten?

9. Why did Jesus say that He was glad that He was not there?

10. How did Thomas show both good and weak characteristics by his suggestion?

11. If it required one day's traveling time from Bethany to where Jesus was, when did Lazarus die?

12. Show the progression of Martha's faith in Jesus after His arrival.

13. How do we see differences in the personalities of Martha and Mary in this story?

14. The words "groaned in the spirit" is a translation of the Greek word *embrimasthai*, which elsewhere in the Scriptures has been translated as "sternly charged" or "reproached". In the literal Greek it means to "snort with anger" as of a horse snorting. Why was it used in this instance?

15. Since we know that Jesus planned to raise Lazarus from the dead, why did Jesus weep?

16. How did Martha have to exercise her faith, when Jesus said, "Take away the stone?"

17. Why did Jesus thank His Father for hearing Him before He called Lazarus to come forth?

18. Since Lazarus was "bound hand and foot with graveclothes," how could He come out of the tomb?

19. What are the four phrases that express the thoughts of the religious leaders at the meeting of the council (Sanhedrin)?

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.

20. What are the two different reactions of the observers to this most significant and final sign in the book of John?

21. Explain how Caiaphas unconsciously prophesied while thinking something quite different.

22. Why did Jesus and His disciples retreat to the wilderness city of Ephraim?