



# MIRACLES OF JESUS

SESSION #5

JESUS RAISES  
LAZARUS

THE  
KING  
OF  
KINGS

A Story Told by Charles Dickens



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JOHN 11:38–44

## INTRO

**The miracles of Jesus are recorded in the four Gospels of the New Testament of the Bible—Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.**

The miracle of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead is found in John, Chapter 11, Verses 38–44.

### JOHN 11:32–44

*When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' 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!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?'*

*Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. 'Take away the stone,' he said. 'But, Lord,' said Martha, the sister of the dead man, 'by this time there is a bad odour, for he has been there four days.' Then Jesus said, 'Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?'*

*So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, 'Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, 'Take off the grave clothes and let him go.'*

## STARTER

**See page 4 for the printable activity sheet.** Sometimes things happen that make us feel sad. Draw or write anything that makes you feel sad.

## CLIP

### CLIP SYNOPSIS FOR TEACHER REFERENCE

In today's clip, Jesus' friends are experiencing great sadness because their brother, Lazarus, has died. They asked Jesus to come and help, but he didn't arrive in time, and Lazarus died.

Mary, Martha, and Lazarus had been friends with Jesus for a long time and knew him well. Jesus knew he would raise Lazarus, but he still wept, showing that he felt the pain and sadness of their loss.

Watch the clip from *The King of Kings*:

[vimeo.com/1095880602](https://vimeo.com/1095880602)



## LEARNING

### WHAT CAN WE LEARN ABOUT JESUS CHRIST FROM THIS CLIP?

Jesus knows what it feels like to be upset and sad when difficult things happen. Christians believe Jesus has power over death. The story of him raising Lazarus points to Jesus' own death and resurrection, which is one of the core beliefs of the Christian faith.

Christians believe that Jesus can do anything, even raise people from the dead. They also speak to him in prayer because they believe He loves them and cares deeply about them.

## TASK

Who said that? Match the speaker to what they say in the clip.

Our brother, Lazarus, has died. **MARY**

The great teacher wasn't even able to save one of his closest friends. **PHARISEE**

If you believe, you will see the glory of God. **JESUS**

If He can't raise Lazarus, no-one will ever follow Him again. **PHARISEE**

Every time Jesus showed God's grace, He brought on the wrath of the Pharisees. **CHARLES DICKENS**

## REFLECTION

Have you ever asked an adult for something and they said, 'No'? How did that make you feel? Maybe you tried to persuade them, or even begged for it.

What do you think would happen if people always got everything they asked for? Why do you think people who love us sometimes say 'No' even when we really want something?

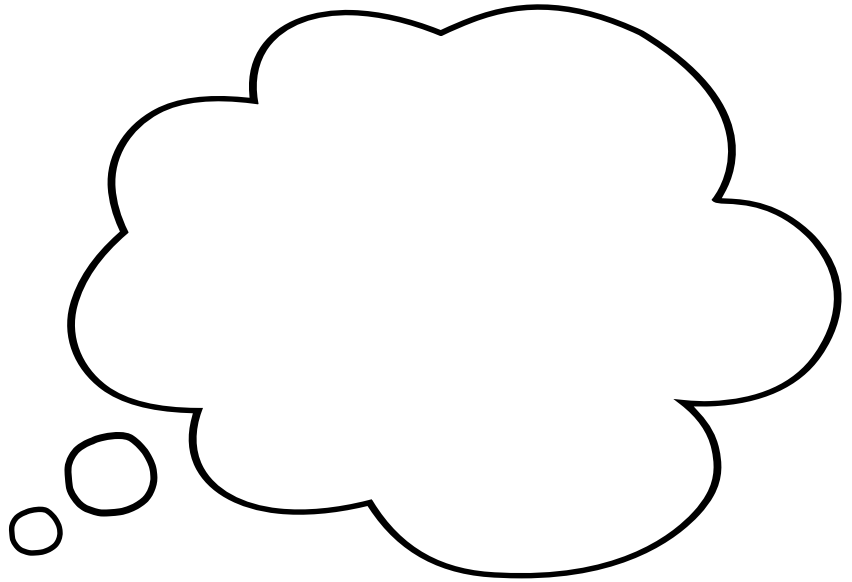
## OPTIONAL RESPONSE ACTIVITY

In this lesson story Jesus and his friends experience a range of emotions as their friend dies but then Jesus brings him back to life again. Children could create a feelings chart / emotions poster to display the range of emotions they experience in life.



## JESUS RAISES LAZARUS

Sometimes things happen in life that can make us feel sad. Draw or write anything that makes you feel sad in the thought cloud.



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**IN THE MOVIE CLIP,** Jesus' friends are experiencing a terrible sadness—their brother has died. They asked Jesus to come and save him, but believe that Jesus didn't get there in time, and their brother died. Mary, Martha and Lazarus have been friends with Jesus for a while and know Him well. Jesus knows He will raise Lazarus but he still weeps because he feels the pain of Lazarus' death.

Match the speaker to what they say in the clip.

## PHARISEE / JESUS / MARY / PHARISEE / CHARLES DICKENS

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2. The great teacher wasn't even able to save one of his closest friends.
3. If you believe, you will see the glory of God.
4. If He can't raise Lazarus, no-one will ever follow Him again.
5. Every time Jesus showed God's grace, he brought on the wrath of the Pharisees.

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