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## Teaching Outline

Series: Jesus Cares  
When We Grieve

There are many causes of loss and grief...

**John 11:5-6 (NLT)** <sup>5</sup> So although Jesus loved Martha, Mary, and Lazarus,<sup>6</sup> he stayed where he was for the next two days.

God's perspective of our \_\_\_\_\_ may be different than \_\_\_\_\_!

**John 11:32-44 (NLT)** <sup>32</sup> When Mary arrived and saw Jesus, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if only you had been here, my brother would not have died."<sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping and saw the other people wailing with her, a deep anger welled up within him, and he was deeply troubled. <sup>34</sup> "Where have you put him?" he asked them. They told him, "Lord, come and see."<sup>35</sup> Then Jesus wept. <sup>36</sup> The people who were standing nearby said, "See how much he loved him!" <sup>37</sup> But some said, "This man healed a blind man. Couldn't he have kept Lazarus from dying?" <sup>38</sup> Jesus was still angry as he arrived at the tomb, a cave with a stone rolled across its entrance. <sup>39</sup> "Roll the stone aside," Jesus told them. But Martha, the dead man's sister, protested, "Lord, he has been dead for four days. The smell will be terrible." <sup>40</sup> Jesus responded, "Didn't I tell you that you would see God's glory if you believe?" <sup>41</sup> So they rolled the stone aside. Then Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, thank you for hearing me. <sup>42</sup> You always hear me, but I said it out loud for the sake of all these people standing here, so that they will believe you sent me." <sup>43</sup> Then Jesus shouted, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup> And the dead man came out, his hands and feet bound in grave clothes, his face wrapped in a head cloth. Jesus told them, "Unwrap him and let him go!"

Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ that \_\_\_\_\_ is present in this world at all!

Jesus is Lord over \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_!

Going Through Grief and Loss:

FAQ's about the experience of grieving:

- How long does grief last?
- Is grief the same for everyone?
- Is it normal to feel like you're going crazy during a loss?
- What helps with the grief process?

Some Do's and some Don'ts:

- Allow them to have feelings
- Be a good listener
- Don't say, "I know exactly how you feel."
- Don't say "God must be teaching you something thru this."
- Don't say "Jesus must have wanted him/her with Him."

God is our \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ .