

John 11:41

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Think about [John 11:41-46](#).

So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him, but some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done.

- In Jesus' prayer, what did he thank his Father for, and what did Jesus know?
- Why did God always hear Jesus?

[Hebrews 5:7](#) *In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence (respect and devotion towards God).*

[1John 5:14](#) *And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.*

- Why did Jesus pray this prayer in the hearing of these people? (See John 11:41-46 quoted above.)
- Why is it important that we believe that God sent Jesus?

[1John 4:9-15](#) *... God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ... God ... loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ... the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.*

- What command did Jesus speak to dead Lazarus and what happened then? (See John 11:41-46 quoted above.)
- Will this happen to you?

[John 5:26-29](#) (Jesus said) *For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself. ... Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment.*

- Jesus called Lazarus out from death to life. What does this sign say about Jesus?
[John 5:36](#) (Jesus said) *... the works that the Father has given me to accomplish, the very works that I am doing, bear witness about me that the Father has sent me.*
- Many Jews saw what Jesus did to Lazarus. What change did this bring about in many of them? What was the reaction of some of them? (See John 11:41-46 quoted above.)