



# 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Small Group Lesson

**Session Title:** Jesus Raised Lazarus

**Bible Passage:** John 11:1-7,17-44

**Main Point:** Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead.

**Key Passage:** Psalm 103:2-3

**Big Picture Question:** What did Jesus heal people from? Jesus healed people from sickness, sin, and death.

**Christ Connection:** *When Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, He showed that He has power over death. Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life." Jesus died on the cross for our sin and rose from the dead. He gives eternal life to those who trust in Him.*

## Go for Help!

Materials: signs

Prepare three signs: *Mom/Dad, medicine, and map*. Put the signs on separate sides of the room. Have everyone stand away from the signs. Explain that you will describe a situation. The players should run and stand by the sign that shows who or what would help them most in a situation.

For each situation, ask a player to explain his choice. Suggested situations: *lost in a forest, having trouble with math homework, feeling sick, feeling hungry, having leg pain, planning a trip, and so forth.*

**When Lazarus got sick, Mary and Martha sent for Jesus. But Jesus didn't come right away, and Lazarus died. Mary and Martha must have thought their situation was hopeless and that no one could help them. But Jesus has power over death! Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead.**

**The Bible is clear that because we sin, we deserve to die. That's bad news. But the good news is that God loves us and sent His Son, Jesus, to live the perfect life we cannot live and die the death we don't want to die. When we trust in Him, God forgives our sin. Jesus frees us from sin and death, and He gives us eternal life. We may die physically, but we have the hope of life with God forever.**

Mom / Dad  
Family Member

Map

Medicine

# Miraculous Color

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**INSTRUCTIONS:** Use the color key to complete the picture. Fill each numbered section with the color assigned.



**KEY PASSAGE:** Psalm 103:2-3

**• BIG PICTURE QUESTION:**

- What did Jesus heal people from? Jesus healed people from sickness, sin, and death.

**BIBLE STORY:**

**JESUS RAISED LAZARUS**

- Jesus' friend Lazarus was sick.
- Jesus waited two days before traveling to visit him.
- When Jesus arrived, Lazarus was dead.
- Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead.

**FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:**

- Why did Jesus wait two days before visiting Lazarus?
- Can you think of other times God asks us to wait for His timing?
- What does it mean for Jesus to be "the resurrection and the life"?

**FAMILY ACTIVITY:**

- Build a "tomb" by draping blankets over chairs and tables. Use couch cushions or large pillows to block the entrance. Take turns sitting in the tomb until someone moves the pillows and says, "Come out!"