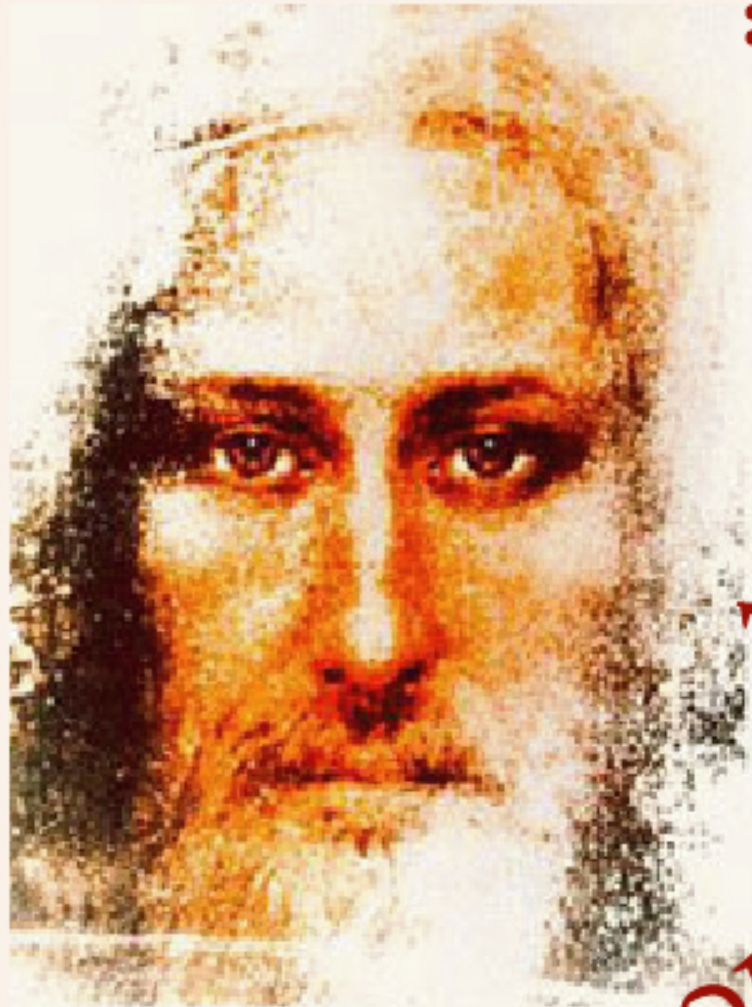


# The Gospel of John ~ Part Two:

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<sup>32</sup>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.” <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. <sup>34</sup>“Where have you laid him?” he asked. “Come and see, Lord,” they replied. <sup>35</sup>Jesus wept.

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<sup>40</sup>Then Jesus said, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone.

Then Jesus looked up and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup>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.” <sup>43</sup>When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” <sup>44</sup>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.”



# The Request

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# The Answer

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“What Jesus has just said could be interpreted as callousness toward the Bethany family. John will have not of it: he insists that *Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus*. John’s point is that the glorification described in the previous verse is not harsh and thoughtless because [it is] devoid of affection for others, but entirely in keeping with Jesus’ love for this family. Lazarus’ death and resurrection that follows are not only to glorify the Father and the Son, but are for the good of Lazarus and his sisters.

The NIV’s rendering of the opening of v. 6 is without linguistic defense: *Yet when he heard . . .* The translators have set the affirmation of the Jesus’ love in verse 5 in dramatic tension with the two-day delay reported in v. 6. The obvious contribution of the particles *hos oun*, however, suggest a rendering such as this: *When therefore he heard that Lazarus was sick, he stayed where he was two more days*. This means that the two-day delay was *motivated* by Jesus’ love for Martha, Mary and Lazarus.”

# Being Loved through Sovereign Suffering

# The Resistance

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# The Clear Expanation

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## Romans 8:17-39

<sup>17</sup>Now if we are children, then we are heirs – heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory. <sup>18</sup>I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. <sup>19</sup>The creation waits in eager expectation for the sons of God to be revealed.

## Romans 8:17-39

<sup>20</sup>For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup>that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the glorious freedom of the children of God. <sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. <sup>23</sup>Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.



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<sup>24</sup>For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what he already has? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently. <sup>26</sup>In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express. <sup>27</sup>And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will.

## Romans 8:17-39

<sup>28</sup>And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

<sup>29</sup>For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. <sup>30</sup>And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

## Romans 8:17-39

<sup>31</sup>What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all – how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup>Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who is he that condemns? Christ Jesus, who died – more than that, who was raised to life – is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

## Romans 8:17-39

<sup>35</sup>Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written: "For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered." <sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, <sup>39</sup>neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.