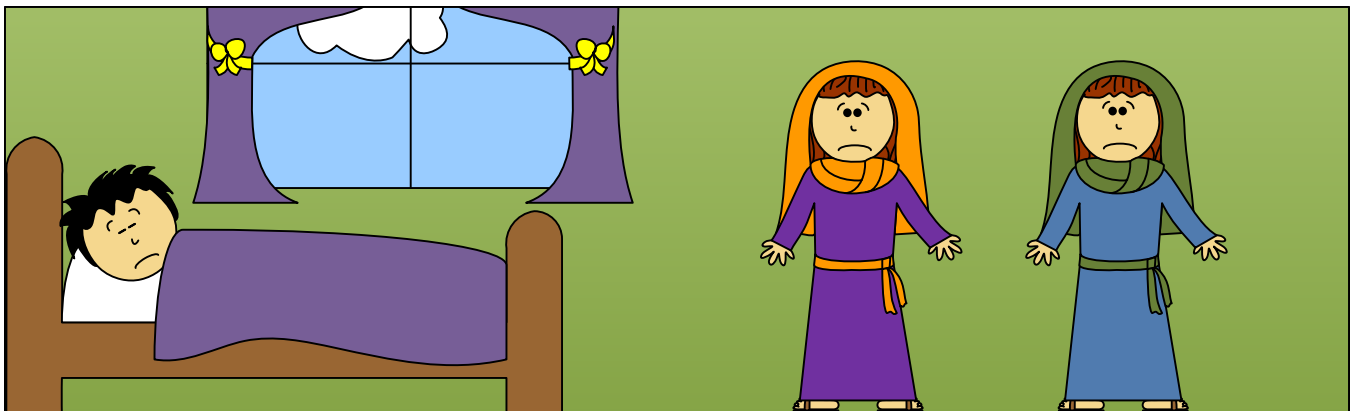







Lazarus Lives

From John 11

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Lazarus was sick. He was from Bethany, the same town as  his sisters Mary and Martha. This is the same Mary who    put oil on Jesus and wiped His feet with her hair. The sisters  sent a friend to tell Jesus, "Lord, the one you love is sick."



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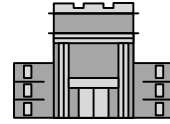
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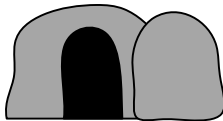
Mary



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Jesus was in another town with his best friends. He knew



Lazarus had died and went to him. When Jesus got there,



Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days.



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Bethany was about two miles away from Jerusalem. Many

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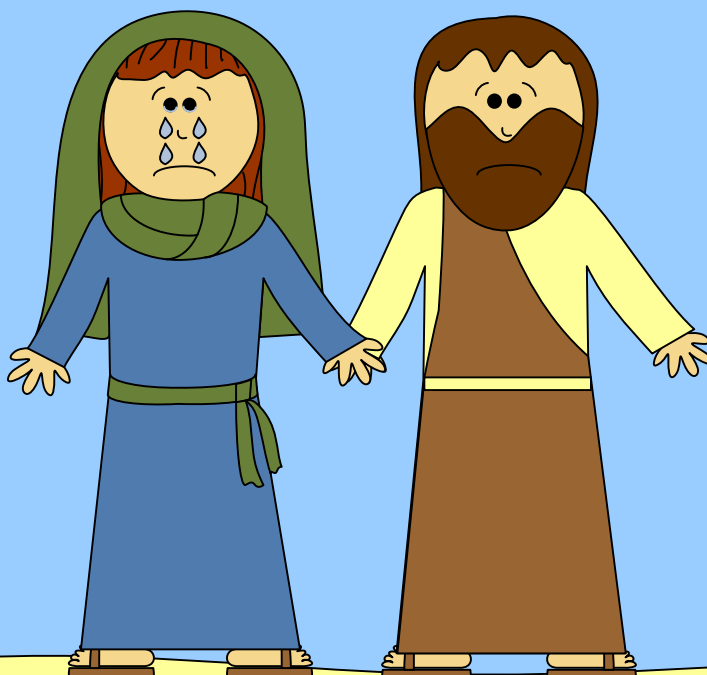
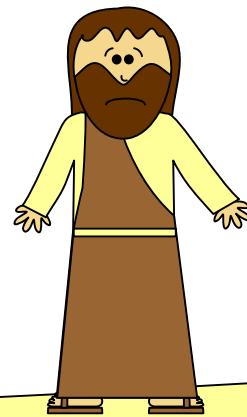
friends had come to Martha and Mary to tell them how











sad they were about Lazarus.

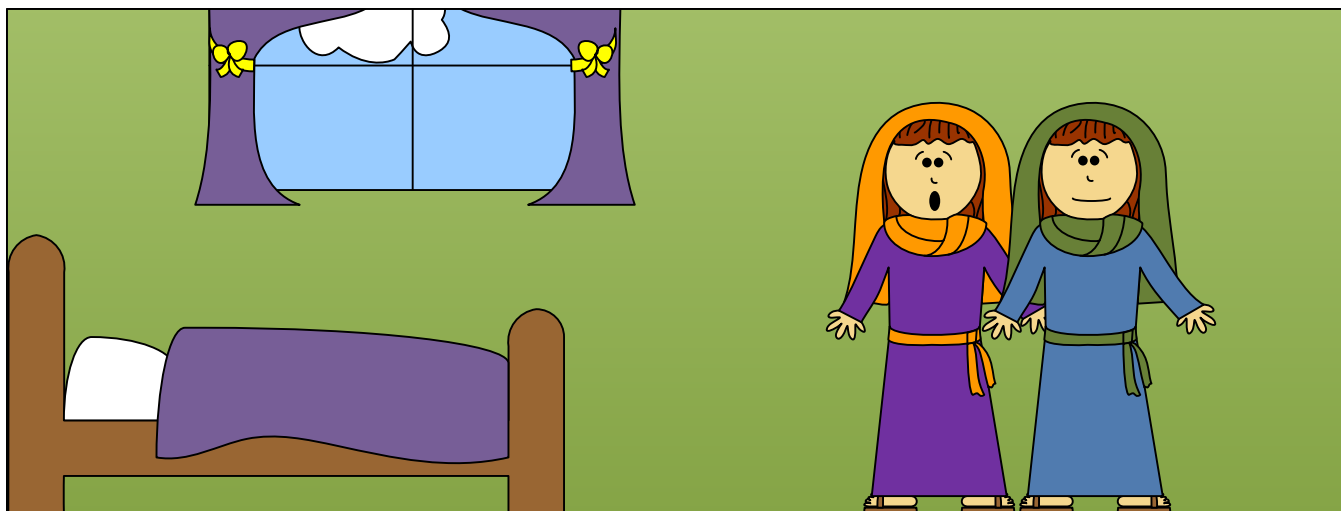




When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him, but Mary stayed at the house. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died. Even now I know that God will give you whatever You ask."



Jesus said, "Lazarus will rise again." Martha said, "I know
   
that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day."

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who
  
believes in Me will rise from the dead. Do you believe

this?" She said, "Yes, Lord. I believe that You are the
Christ, the Son of God. You are the one we hoped would
come into the world."



Then Martha went away to talk to her sister Mary. She
 
secretly said to her, "The Teacher is here and is calling for
you." Mary got up fast and went to Him.

Jesus had not gotten to the town yet, but was still in the



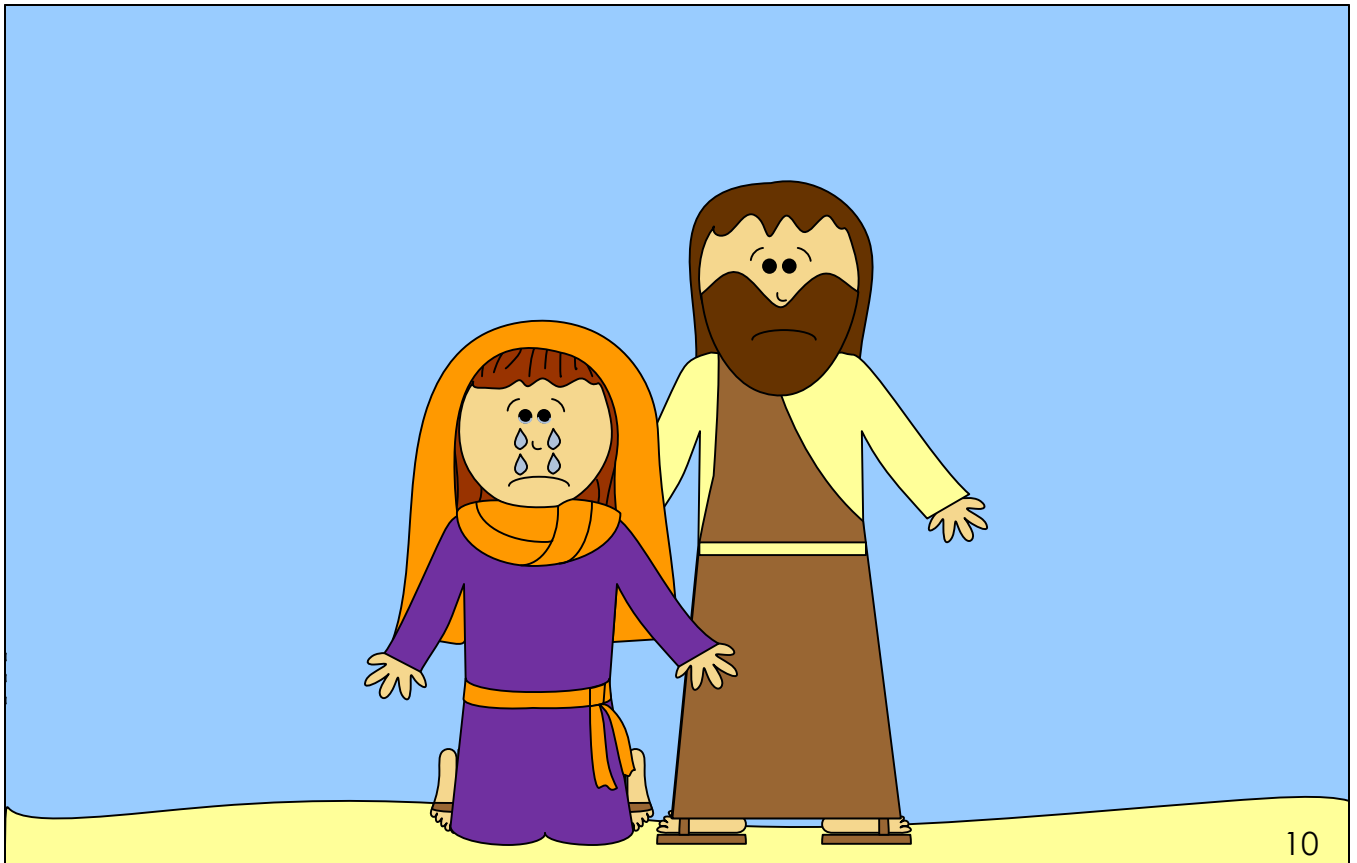
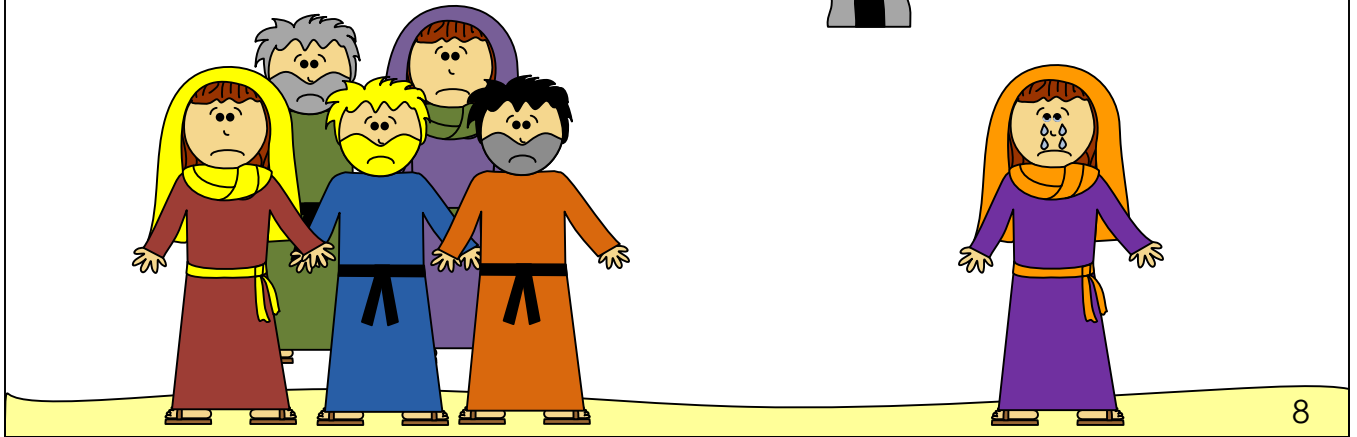
place where Martha met Him. When the friends saw Mary











get up quickly and go out of the house, they followed her.

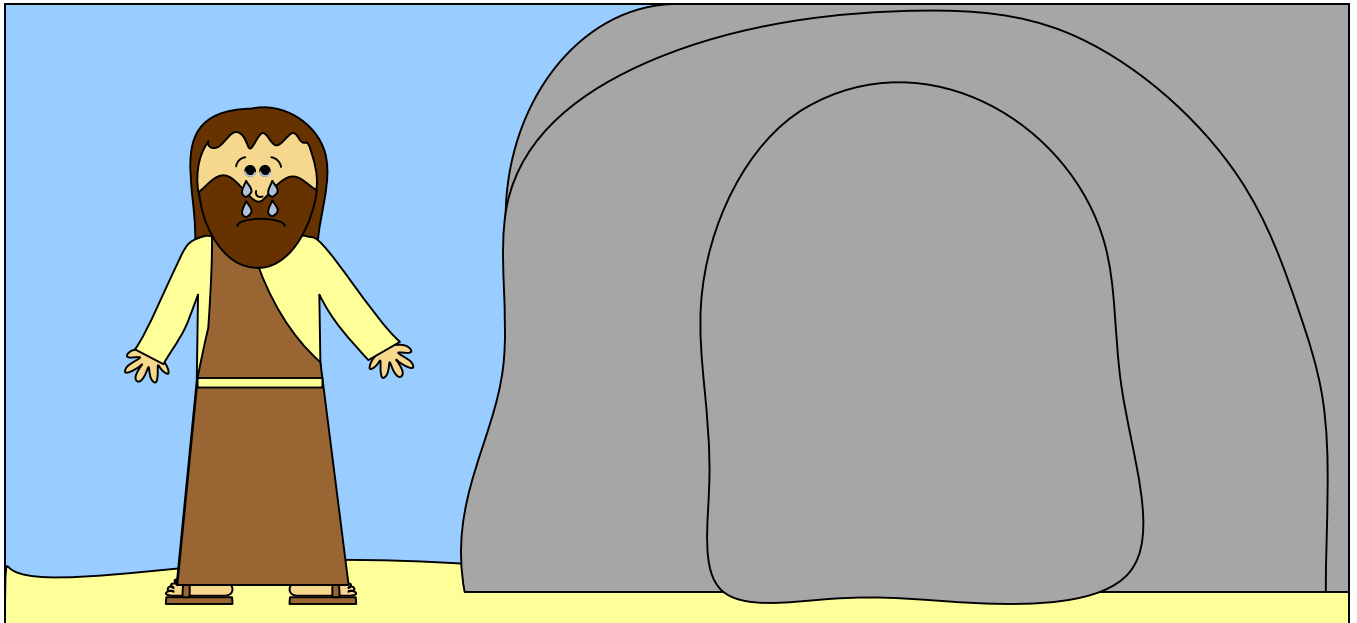


They thought she was going to the tomb to cry.



When Mary got to where Jesus was, she fell at His feet and
 
said, "Lord if You had been here, my brother would not
have died." When Jesus saw her crying, and her friends

crying, He was sad for her and got upset.

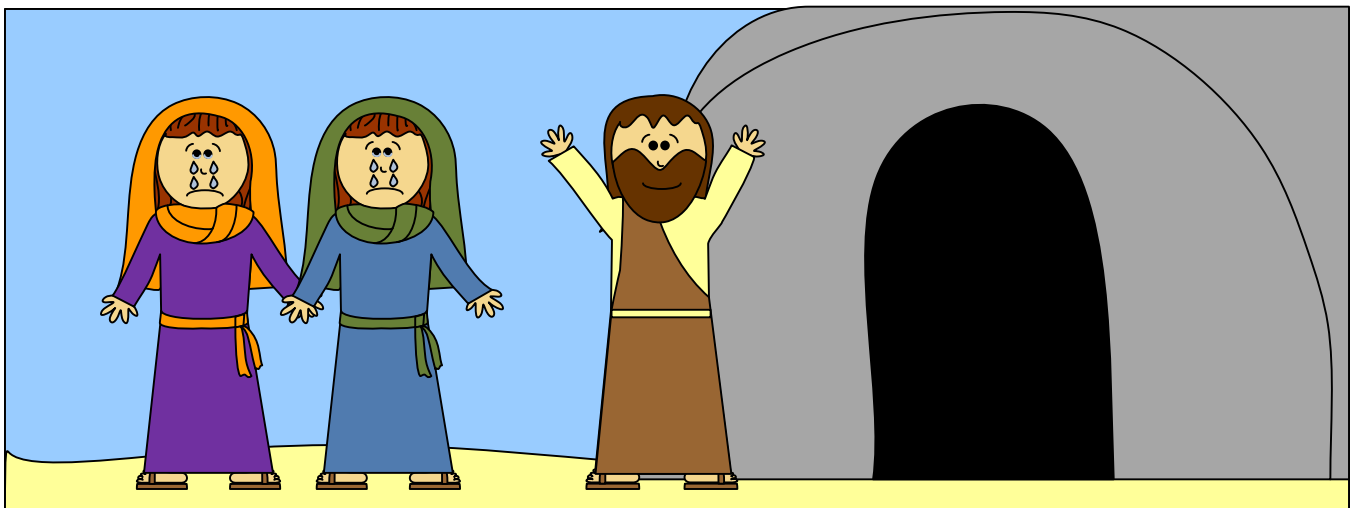
He said, "Where is Lazarus's tomb?" They said, "Lord,
 
come and see." Jesus cried. The people said, "See how

He loved him." But some people said, "If Jesus can make

blind people see, couldn't he have kept Lazarus from

dying?"



Jesus, very sad and upset for his friends, went to the tomb.



The tomb was a cave, and a stone was lying against it.



Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank You that



You have heard Me. I knew that You always hear Me. I

said this so the people here will believe that You sent Me."

Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha said, "Lord, by



this time it will smell very bad, because he has been dead

four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not say that if you

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believe you will see the glory of God?" So they took away

the stone.

After He prayed Jesus said loudly, "Lazarus, come here!"



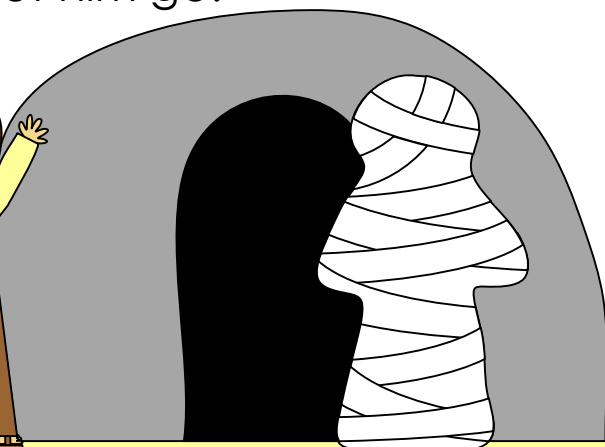
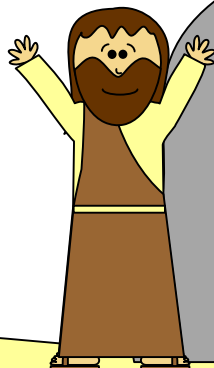
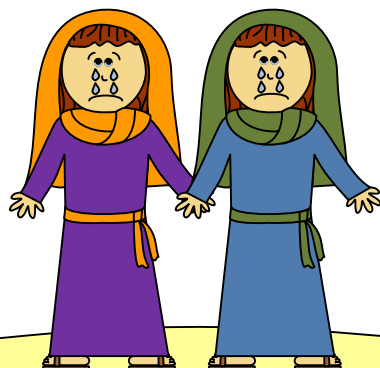
Lazarus came out with his hands, feet, and face wrapped



in the cloths that were used to bury him. Jesus said to



them, "Take the cloths off and let him go."



Many of the people who came to Mary and saw what
Jesus did, believed in Him. But others went to people who
wanted to hurt Jesus and told them about the things Jesus
had done.

