The Gospel of John

(Lesson 25)

Introduction:

1. To help us grow in the knowledge of Christ (2 Peter 3:18), we are studying the Gospel of John.
2. We are presently examining the information revealed in John 11.
3. Previously, we covered some introductory matters found in vs.1-19.
   a. Jesus was informed that Lazarus was sick.
   b. Lazarus was from Bethany, located near Jerusalem.
   c. We learn from John 10:39-40 that Jesus had left Jerusalem because of an attempt to kill Him.
   d. After 2 days Jesus went to Bethany where Martha and Mary, Lazarus' sisters, were grieving.
   e. Lazarus had been in the grave 4 days.
4. In this lesson we are studying the information presented in John 11:20-57.

Discussion:

I. (John 11:20-27) JESUS TALKED WITH MARTHA
   A. Martha acknowledged the Lord's power.
   B. Martha understood that the resurrection will occur "at the last day."
   C. Jesus identified Himself as "the resurrection, and the life."
   D. Martha acknowledged her conviction that Jesus is "the Christ, the Son of God."

II. (John 11:28-37) JESUS TALKED WITH MARY
   A. Mary and a number of comforters went to Jesus.
   B. Mary also acknowledged the Lord's power as Martha did in vs.21.
   C. When Jesus saw Mary and the others grieving He "groaned in the spirit," He "was troubled," and He "wept" (Hebrews 4:15-16).
   D. According to vs.36-37, the Jews reacted differently.

III. (John 11:38-44) JESUS RAISED LAZARUS

IV. (John 11:45) MANY OF THE JEWS BELIEVED ON THE LORD

V. (John 11:46-57) THE JEWISH LEADERS PLOTTED TO KILL JESUS