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RISE AGAIN: From Death to Life  
*Great [unmet] Expectations*  
John 11:1-17  
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Disappointment in God doesn't reveal a **failure of God**, it reveals **faulty expectations of God**.

→ Resist assuming God's perceived **inaction** means a lack of his **affection**. (3-6)

→ Remain confident in the **middle of the story** because you **know the end**. (4)

→ Believe that God's glory often **shines brightest** when **life is darkest**. (v. 4)

→ Trust that disappointments are designed to **develop our faith**, not **destroy it**.  
(v. 15)

- **Ask honestly.**
- **Trust whole-heartedly.**

Genuine faith demands that we **trust God as he is**, not as **we wish he was**.