

**When Jesus arrived in Bethany, he found that Lazarus
had already been in the tomb for four days.**

Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, only about two miles away.

**Many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary
to comfort them about their brother.**

**When Martha heard that Jesus was coming,
she went to meet him;
but Mary sat at home.**

**Martha said to Jesus,
“Lord, if you had been here,
my brother would not have died.**

**But even now I know that whatever you ask of God,
God will give you.”**

**Jesus said to her,
“Your brother will rise.”**

**Martha said to him,
“I know he will rise,
in the resurrection on the last day.”**

**Jesus told her,
“I am the resurrection and the life;
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.**

Do you believe this?”

She said to him, “Yes, Lord.

**I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God,
the one who is coming into the world.”**

The Gospel of the Lord.