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**The Walking Dead – IF IT’S NOT GOOD, THEN GOD’S NOT DONE – Week 1**

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**I came so they can have real and eternal life, more and better life than they ever dreamed of.” John 10:10 (MSG)**

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**We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28**

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**Now a man named Lazarus was sick. He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. 2 (This Mary, whose brother Lazarus now lay sick, was the same one who poured perfume on the Lord and wiped his feet with her hair.) 3 So the sisters sent word to Jesus, “Lord, the one you love is sick.” John 11:1-3**

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**When he heard this, Jesus said, “This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God’s glory so that God’s Son may be glorified through it.” John 11:4**

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**Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So when he heard that Lazarus was sick, he stayed where he was two more days, and then he said to his disciples, “Let us go back to Judea.” John 11:5-7**

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**On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. John 11:17**

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**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.” John 11:32**

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**Jesus wept. John 11:35.**

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**If you ever wonder how God feels about you all you have to do is look at Jesus.**

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**The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Psalm 34:18**

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**God has said, “Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.” Hebrews 13:5**

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**Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. “Take away the stone,” he said. “But, Lord,” said Martha, the sister of the dead man, “by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days.” John 11:38-39**

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**Then Jesus said, “Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?” John 11:40**

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**So they took away the stone. John 11:41**

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**All Jesus asks of you is just to show up and do what he tells you to do.**

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**Jesus told them. “I tell you the truth, if you had faith even as small as a mustard seed, you could say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it would move. Nothing would be impossible. Matthew 17:20**

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**It isn’t the size of your faith. It is the size of the one you put your faith in.**

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**Then Jesus looked up to heaven and said, “Father, thank you for hearing me. You always hear me, but I said it out loud for the sake of all these people standing here, so that they will believe you sent me.” John 11:41-42**

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**Then Jesus shouted, “Lazarus, come out!” John 11:43**

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**And the dead man came out, his hands and feet bound in graveclothes, his face wrapped in a headcloth. Jesus told them, "Unwrap him and let him go!" John 11:44**

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**Since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory. But if we are to share his glory, we must also share his suffering. Yet what we suffer now is nothing compared to the glory he will reveal to us later. Romans 8:17-18**

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**The way to overcome your circumstances isn't to ask God to change your circumstances, but to ask God to change us through our circumstances.**

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