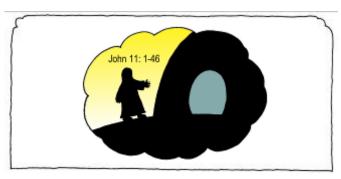
LAZARUS is alive

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Jesus had some special friends,
Mary, Martha and their brother Lazarus,
in the town of Bethany.
He often stayed with them.



Jesus was in Jerusalem when someone came to tell him that his friend Lazarus, from the town of Bethany, was sick.



Two days later Jesus and his friends started off to Bethany, to see him, but Jesus knew that Lazarus had died.

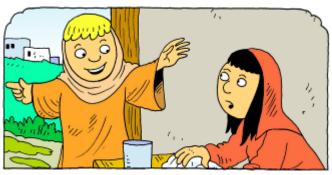


Martha ran to meet Jesus.

"If you had been here," she said,

"my brother would not have died.

But I know, it's not too late. You can do anything."



"Lazarus will live," Jesus said to her.
"Go and get your sister, Mary."
Jesus often stayed with Martha and Mary
and their brother, Lazarus.



Jesus was sad. Lazarus was his friend.
They went to the cave were Lazarus was buried.
"Take the stone away," said Jesus.
"He will smell, he has been dead four days," they replied.



"If you believe, then you will see what God can do," he replied. "Lazarus come out!" called Jesus. Lazarus came out, still wrapped in bandages.



Martha and Mary unwrapped him.
They were so happy that Lazarus was alive!
Many, who saw this miracle with their own eyes,
believed that Jesus was God's Son.