

## Why Jesus Wept

In John 1:35, we read that Jesus wept at the tomb of Lazarus. Lazarus was a dear friend to Jesus. There are many speculations as to why Jesus wept.

Jesus was just about to speak the word to defeat death for Lazarus. Jesus knew that He could raise Lazarus from the dead. Some have speculated that Jesus wept because He knew that His own death was approaching. Others speculate that Jesus saw the grief of Mary and Martha and He wept. Some even speculate that Jesus wept because He knew that Lazarus would have to live again in this sin-cursed world and then suffer the pain of death a second time.

I do not know why Jesus wept, but I know He loved Lazarus. I also know that the fact that pain is temporary does not stop it from hurting. The fact that pain is temporary does not mean that it hurts any less.

Most of us have lost loved ones who were faithful to Jesus in this life. We know they have hope of eternal life because of Jesus' sacrifice. We may know they escaped much physical pain when they died. But the temporary separation still causes us pain.

We have a Savior who knows pain.

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