

# **The Mysterious Ways of God**

**John 11.1-15**

# **A Terminal Illness 1-5**

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- **A family emergency (1-2)**
- **An urgent notification (3)**
- **An important distinction (4)**
  - **some adversities are par for the course**
  - **some adversities are platforms for God**
- **A mysterious delay (5-6)**
  - **Our frustrated expectations**
  - **His deliberate procrastinations**

# A Baffling Move 7-15

- **An abrupt departure (7)**
  - We like the Lord to deal with our emergencies on our time.
  - He will deal with them in His time and His way.
- **A fearful objection (8)**
  - We tend to fear man
  - Jesus feared only God
- **A teachable moment (9-15)**
  - About living smart (9-10)
  - About the benign nature of death for the believer (11-13)
  - About what is truly important (14-15)