



## When Shepherds Disappoint

### John 11

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*"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" John 11: 25*

*Mary fell at His feet and said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." John 11: 32*

Heavenly Father, I want to become like Jesus, our Great Shepherd.  
Thank you for hearing our disappointments. Thank you for sharing our grief.

Thank you for leading us forward to new life.

Thank you for promises that surpass our wildest expectations.

Forgive me for questioning your love, your goodness, your higher plan.

I look to You, I trust You.

Thankyou for your presence with me, now and forever.

We pray in the Name of Jesus,  
Amen!

Ohana Groups gather to share, pray, and live out God's Word together.

### 1 The Difference of Long Term Perspective Rom 18:18 11:11

Now - things may look horrible and hopeless.  
know about God > < my experience and emotions.

- ◆ We are disappointed with God. delay too late
- ◆ We are disappointed with Shepherds. failed expectations
- ◆ We are disappointed with people and ourselves! conflict

*Spiritual maturity learns to look past disappointment to promise.*

### 2 Understanding Comes with the Presence of Jesus

Jesus listened to disappointment.

Jesus stirred faith to trusts in Him . 25,26

Jesus wept. 35

Jesus gave clear instructions to participate in His miracle. 39

Jesus called out the dead and set him free! 43

*Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!"*