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44 And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with grave-clothes; and his face was bound about with a napkin. Je'sus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go.

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TIME.—Probably March, A.D. 30. **PLACE.**—Bethany. **RULERS.**—Herod in Galilee; Pilate in Jerusalem. **DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.**—The resurrection of the dead.

HOME READINGS.

- M.* Christ raising Lazarus. John 11. 21-32.
Tu. Christ raising Lazarus. John 11. 33-44.
W. The sickness. John 11. 1-10.
Th. Death of Lazarus. John 11. 11-20.
F. "My Redeemer liveth." Job 19. 23-27.
S. A child raised. Mark 5. 35-43.
S. A sister's gratitude. John 12. 1-9.

LESSON HYMNS.

No. 235, New Canadian Hymnal.
 Who are these arrayed in white,
 Brighter than the noon-day sun?
 Foremost of the sons of light,
 Nearest the eternal throne?

No. 242, New Canadian Hymnal.
 Jerusalem the golden,
 With milk and honey blest,
 Beneath thy contemplation
 Sink heart and voice oppress.

No. 244, New Canadian Hymnal.
 We speak of the land of the blest,
 That country so bright and so fair,
 And oft are its glories confessed;
 But what must it be to be there!

DOMINION HYMNAL.

Hymns, Nos. 226, 227, 230.

QUESTIONS FOR SENIOR STUDENTS.

1. Jesus and Martha, v. 21-27.

How far did Martha's faith in Jesus's power extend?

What is the intimation of the twenty-second verse?

How does Jesus gradually lead the weeping woman to the higher range of faith?

How had Martha probably learned the glorious truth of the "resurrection of the last day?"

What did he say about belief in him?

How can it be said that the Christian never dies?

What testimony does Martha give in the twenty-seventh verse?

What was the prevalent Jewish belief concerning "Christ the Son of God?"

In what larger and truer sense was Jesus the Son of God?

Mention certain characteristics which Martha displays in this narrative and in other portions of the gospel record.

2. Jesus and Mary, v. 28-33.

What message did Martha take to Mary?

Where was Jesus?

Why probably had he not entered the village?

What was the custom of the ancient Jews in houses of mourning?

Why did these Jews follow Mary?

How long was the mourning continued in the ancient Orient?

What did Mary do when she came where Jesus was?

What did she say?

Compare the pleading and argumentative tone of Martha's statement with this pathetic appeal of Mary's.

What is the meaning of "groaned in the spirit?"

What aroused Jesus's indignation?

3. Jesus and Lazarus, v. 34-44.

What question did Jesus ask?

What did he do?

What did the Jews exclaim?

How did his enemies reason?

Had he ever before this raised any one from the dead?

Why may they have taken the opening of the eyes of the blind as the specimen miracle?

Wherein did the grave differ from ours?

Why did Martha recoil from the taking away of the stone?

What does this show of the limitations of her faith?

For what did Jesus thank God?

Why did he do this publicly?

What did he call out to Lazarus?

What followed?

Practical Teachings.

Wherein does this lesson teach—

1. That a living faith will grow by exercise?
2. That Jesus sympathizes with all who suffer?
3. That Jesus is indignant at hostility to him?
4. That Jesus is the best of friends?

Hints for Home Study.

Find cases of resurrection from the dead mentioned in the Old Testament.

Find the other case or cases where Jesus raised people from the dead.