

Review

- Empathy:
- Empathic Presence:
- Listening Well:

Empathic Responding

- John 11:1-4, 33-35
 - o "Jesus Wept"

Main Point: Despite his ______ and

_____, Jesus not only stepped down into the messiness

to ______ and _____ as we

do, but he responded with perfect ______.

- John 11:1-4
 - Three points of focus:
 - Jesus loved Lazarus
 - Jesus, like God, is omniscient, or ______.
 - Jesus, Like God, is omnipotent, or _____.
- John 11:33-35
 - "...the Lord checked the momentary impulse which arose within Him to exert His divine power at once, and first voluntarily brought himself into complete sympathy with the sorrow which He came to relive." – B. F. Westcott
 - Jesus _____, then stooped, then _____.
 - o "to Weep"
 - Klaiousan : ______

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- Edakrusen: To weep, cry, ______ into tears.
 - It's not a matter of if he _____ but a matter of how he _____, and he decided that how he *would* meant embracing his

• He stepped into the messiness to feel and understand as we do.

- Job 2:11b-13
- Jesus Exhibited **perfect** ______ by responding with his presence and by feeling the full pain and turmoil even to the point of getting angry at what was transpiring around him "...yet without sin." (Heb. 4:15).

Responding With Empathy as Jesus Did

- "An empathic response...," is "...accurately communicating one's understanding of another person from that person's point of view." – Gerard Egan
 - "Communication of understanding" in discipleship happens in two ways:
 - By thoughtfully ______ and _____ in the feelings
 - What we *should not* do:
 - We should not try to remind them that things will get better, life goes on, or to stay positive
 - We should not tell them a personal _____.
 - We should not give _____ unless prompted.
 - What we *should* do:
 - We should err on the side of _____.
 - We should respond with _____.
 - \circ $\;$ We should selflessly elevate the other person.

_____ the _____.

• "You feel... because..." statements

• "'Love people as Christ did, and if necessary, use words.' – Augustine" - Jake

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