

# John 11:34

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And said, Where have ye laid him? They said unto him, Lord, come and see.

## Analysis

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Jesus asks where Lazarus was laid, demonstrating His human knowledge operating within incarnational limitations. Though omniscient as God, Jesus chose experiential knowledge as man. This question serves pedagogical purpose, drawing the crowd to the tomb and heightening anticipation. It also shows Jesus' respectful engagement with mourning customs. The invitation 'Come and see' brings witnesses to the miracle site, ensuring testimony's credibility.

## Historical Context

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Jewish burial involved placing bodies in cave tombs or hewn rock chambers. The question's simplicity reflects Jesus' humble participation in human processes despite His divine power.

## Related Passages

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**Ephesians 2:8** — Salvation by grace through faith

**Romans 10:9** — Confession and belief for salvation

**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

**James 2:17** — Faith and works

## Study Questions

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1. How does Jesus' question demonstrate His voluntary human limitations in the incarnation?
2. What does His engagement with mourning customs teach about incarnational ministry?
3. In what ways does Jesus' 'Come and see' invitation apply to evangelism today?

## Interlinear Text

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καὶ εἶπεν Ποῦ τεθείκατε αὐτῷ λέγοντες αὐτῷ Κύριε

**And** **said** **Where** **have ye laid** **him** **They said** **him** **Lord**

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ἔρχοντες καὶ ἰδε

**come** **And** **see**

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