



MARKED FOR GLORY

Marked for glory at his Anointing

MARK 14:1-11

I. THE STORY: What do I do with Jesus?

A. Danger: "Jesus disrupts _____"

It was now two days before the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread. And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to arrest him by stealth and kill him, for they said, "Not during the feast, lest there be an uproar from the people." vv. 1-2

B. Devotion: "Jesus deserves _____"

And while he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he was reclining at table, a woman came with an alabaster flask of ointment of pure nard, very costly, and she broke the flask and poured it over his head. v. 3

C. Disapproval: "Jesus deserves _____"

There were some who said to themselves indignantly, "Why was the ointment wasted like that? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii and given to the poor." And they scolded her. vv. 4-5

D. Defense: "Jesus deserves _____"

But Jesus said, "Leave her alone. Why do you trouble her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. For you always have the poor with you, and whenever you want, you can do good for them. But you will not always have me. he has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for burial. And truly, I say to you, wherever the gospel is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in memory of her." vv. 6-9

E. Defection: "Jesus disappoints _____"

Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. And when they heard it, they were glad and promised to give him money. And he sought an opportunity to betray him. vv. 10-11

II. THE POINT: _____ love for Jesus gives " _____ " to Jesus.

III. THE CALL: What is Jesus _____ to me?

HOME GROUP LESSON

"Mary was quietly pointing people to the Savior. She was occupied with Him.

Though the text does not say so, we can be sure she was not filled with evil thoughts of jealousy, resentment, or bitterness. There was surely sadness, but also spiritual joy. The disciples, on the other hand, had their eyes on others, and were all filled with resentment which erupted in ugliness to Mary.

The result was, they scolded her (v. 5). The word here, *embrimaomai*, was used of a snorting horse. Men often snort at a person's devotion to the Lord and often, as here, they do it in the name of religion or some humanitarian cause. Devotion to a hobby or a sport is seen as merely enthusiasm, but devotion to the Savior is viewed as fanaticism. Why? Because that kind of devotion manifests the lack of devotion of others toward God and spiritual priorities. The plain truth is that such devotion is terribly convicting. True devotion and proper evaluation of the Lord, who is Himself the manifestation of light, often brings out the hatred and true condition of the heart such as a heart of unbelief, or hardness, or one lacking in commitment. Mary's understanding of Christ's person and work, along with her trust in Christ, became the force behind her act of devotion and testimony to the Savior. She was trusting Christ for her life—for her significance and her security. On the other hand, in the lives of the disciples, dependence on the world and its riches, and occupation with the temporal and the transient, promoted (1) a failure to truly listen intently to the Savior's Word, (2) the murmuring against Mary, and (3) Christ's betrayal. This very act of devotion, and the consequent rebuke by the Lord, occasioned the treachery and betrayal of Judas (vs. 10)."

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Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ...

PHILIPPIANS 3:8

1. Discuss any insights group members gained from the sermon.
2. Read aloud Mark 14:1-11. What are the different categories of devotion to Jesus in this scene, represented by people's actions (also in sermon points I. A-E)? How do you see yourself reflected in them?
3. Read Luke 10:38-42. How do Mary's actions in this earlier scene lead to her actions in Mark 14? What did she understand that the disciples didn't, and why?
4. If we believe that Christ's person and work is the foundation of our happiness and security, we act sacrificially and with love to Christ and others. But if we trust in other things (money, appearance, praise, success) for security, we act in selfish and unloving ways to protect what we want. How have you seen this principle played out in your life?
5. How might extravagant love for Jesus cost you ...

financially?	<i>How do I treasure Jesus ... more than my stuff?</i>
socially?	<i>more than my reputation?</i>
personally?	<i>more than my pride?</i>
6. Meditate on and look for answers to these questions this week: *What is Jesus worth to me? How would He see extravagant love from me?*

COMING UP AT CHRIST CHAPEL

Here's a glimpse at what you need to know for this week. Like to plan ahead a little more? Pick up a copy of *The Source* at a stand around campus or near the exits, or visit www.cbcfamily.org/events. They're your source for everything going on at Christ Chapel.

TAKE THE NEXT STEP AND CONNECT. If you've been worshipping at Christ Chapel for a while, it's time to take the next step and connect somewhere. Text "CCBCConnect" to 555-888 and we'll help you get started!

GET YOUR EASTER RESERVATION

REMINDERS TODAY! We can't wait to celebrate Easter with you on Saturday, April 20 and Sunday, April 21. Head to the Great Room, Atrium or www.cbcfamily.org/easter2019 to get your Reservation Reminders today. Reservation Reminders are a huge help as we plan parking and seating to make sure everyone has the absolute best Easter worship experience possible. Help us prep by getting yours today!

WOMEN'S NIGHT OF WORSHIP IS THIS

TUESDAY, APRIL 2. Ladies, invite a friend and come to "Peaceful Rest," a night of worship centered on the kind of rest that transforms our lives, work and faith—the kind that only Jesus can offer. It starts at 7 p.m. in the Chapel. Kids Care is available for ages 0 to 11 by RSVP at www.cbcfamily.org/KidsRSVP.

"SINGIN' IN THE RAIN" AUDITIONS START

THIS FRIDAY, APRIL 5. If you love to sing and dance, don't miss auditioning for our August production of "Singin' in the Rain." Go to www.cbcfamily.org/musical to sign up for an audition time today. Want to join the crew? We're also looking for costume makers, set and prop builders, makeup artists, backstage hands and more.

A NEW "CONNECTING POINT" CLASS STARTS NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 7 AT 9:15 A.M.

If you've been worshipping with us for a while but haven't connected any further, Connecting Point is a great place to start! You'll meet more people who are putting down roots at CCBC and learn about all the ways we're here to help you grow in your faith. Sign up at the Connect Kiosk or www.cbcfamily.org/events.

CHECK OUT "HABITS OF GRACE" NEXT

SUNDAY, APRIL 7. Looking for ways to deepen your relationship with God? Growing and maintaining a relationship with God boils down to a few key concepts that Dr. Doug Cecil will teach you, plus more of what he's learned in his own 47 years of walking with the Lord. The class will meet at 11 a.m. in Fellowship Hall West. Questions? Head to www.cbcfamily.org/events.

MEN, SIGN UP FOR "RETHINKING FAITH

AND POLITICS IN A DIVIDED AGE." On Monday, April 8 you're invited to join Dr. Jonathan Leeman, author of "How the Nations Rage," for a discussion on rethinking the relationship between faith and politics. He'll teach us how living in America's current, divided culture is really an opportunity to represent Christ. The event is at 7 p.m. in The Den. Sign up at www.cbcfamily.org/events.