

JESUS IS ANOINTED FOR DEATH

Introduction: Chapter 12 concludes Jesus' public teaching ministry. It is preceded by two events: Mary's anointing of Jesus and His triumphal entry into Jerusalem as its King. Mary's anointing and Judas' criticism of it showed the heart of a believer and that of a hypocrite. Jesus' triumphal entry showed the people's desire for Him to be King and the rulers' opposition to it.

Lesson Aim: Crucify selfish desires so you can serve Jesus Christ and be honored by God.

Memory Verse: Jesus said, "If any man serve Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there shall also My servant be: if any man serve Me, him will My Father honor" (Jn 12:26).

Lesson Outline and Questions to Answer**I. The Supper at Bethany — 12:1-11**

1. How many days before the Passover did Martha serve this supper to Jesus and His disciples? 12:1-2
2. How did Mary show her love for Jesus? 12:3
3. How did Mary identify herself with Jesus in anointing Him with perfume? 12:3b
4. What did Judas say about Mary's gift to Jesus? 12:4-5
5. Why did Judas say this? 12:6
6. What did Jesus reveal about Mary's purpose in anointing Him with her perfume? 12:7
7. Why did the Jewish leaders talk about killing Lazarus? 12:9-11

II. The Triumphal Entry — 12:12-19

8. How many days before the Passover did the people claim Jesus as their King? 12:12
9. What convinced these people that Jesus was their Messiah-King? 12:17-18
10. What did the Pharisees say among themselves about these people? 12:19

III. The Visit of the Greeks — 12:20-36

11. When Philip and Andrew told Jesus that certain Greeks wanted to see Him, how did Jesus answer them? 12:23
12. What analogy did Jesus use to show the purpose of His death? 12:24
13. How should believers apply this analogy to themselves? 12:25
14. Do you think Jesus prayed in the Garden to be delivered from the cross or to be delivered from the grave? 12:27; Heb 5:7
15. When Jesus prayed, "Father, glorify your name," how did His Father respond? 12:28
16. What did Jesus call Satan? 12:31
17. What did Jesus say that confused the people? 12:32-34
18. What did Jesus counsel these confused people to do? 12:35-36; cf 12:46

IV. The Summary of His Ministry — 12:37-50

19. Only a few people became believers by Jesus' miracles (True or False). 12:37
20. Where are these OT references (Isa 6:10; 53:1 and Zech 9:9) quoted in this chapter?
21. Why were the chief rulers that believed on Jesus not commended? 12:42-43
22. We say we believe the words of Jesus, but where did He get these words? 12:44, 49-50