

Text: Mark 14:1-11

Topics: Jealously, Sacrifice, Selfishness

Series: The Passion Week of Mark's Servant King

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What's Most Important?

I. A Plot Explored (1-2)

The religious leaders allowed envy to cause them to seek to kill Jesus.

II. A Passion Expressed (3-9)

Jesus explained that the amount in the woman's action to honor Him in the present was not too much.

III. A Pursuit Embarked (10-11)

The sinful thinking of Judas and the chief priests was moving them toward a very evil deed.

Honoring God or self will lead to very different ends!

Application Questions - *These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.*

1. Read Mark 14:1-2. What were the Passover and the Unleavened Bread reminders of for the Jewish people?

Why did the religious leaders want to kill Jesus? (Verse 2; Mark 15:10)

Can you think of an example when sinful thinking or feelings were moving you to do something bad? What did you do or not do and why?

2. Read Mark 14:3-5. Where was this and what happened?

Do you think you would have been more like the woman or the disciples? Why?

3. In Mark 14:6-9 Jesus called the woman's action a "good deed to Me" and saw it very differently than the disciples in comparison to the poor. How could Jesus call her action "good"?

What are some "expensive" good deeds you could give to the Lord?

4. What actions of Judas and the chief priests are recorded in Mark 14:10-11? What do those actions reveal about their thinking?

Where is it taking them?

5. What are some of the areas in which you are tempted to serve self before God? How does, or how can, Christ help you gain victory over those temptations?