

The Anointing and Worship of Jesus

John 12:1-16, John 19:12-16

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I. Authentic worship by Mary. *John 12:1-11*

Simon realized he literally _____ his life to his dinner guest.

- Breaking open the vial of perfume, Mary first _____ Jesus' feet and then she gently and lovingly wipes Jesus' feet with her hair.

By Mary worshipping the Lord in this way, we learn true worship is always _____.

1. Love for Jesus will _____ to offer Him something dear to us.
2. A true love for Jesus within our lives will be _____ to others.
3. This sort of love for Jesus is _____ to some.
4. Our gifts of love are _____ to the Lord.

II. Worship the new King. *John 12:12-16*

The question a lot of people ask is, "Why _____?"

- ***Leviticus 23:40(b) branches of palm trees, the boughs of leafy trees, and willows of the brook; and you shall _____ before the LORD your God for seven days. NKJV***

The crowd is basically shouting, "Save us _____!" ***Zechariah 9:9***

- Not just any blood would do; it had to come from a perfect, spotless _____. ***Hebrews 9:22***

III. His arrival preceded _____. *John 19:12-16*

Jesus is Lord of all creation and even creation itself recognizes its king; but some people will have no king but _____.

- We should have the heart of Jesus, realizing people are destroying themselves with sin and being _____ over it.

IV. Practical Application.

The delay in Christ's return is God's plan to allow more people opportunity to place their trust in Christ in order to enter into eternal _____ with Him.

- *Do we shout Hosanna, _____ knowing the cost?*
- *Do we shout crucify Him, _____ of the cost?*
- *Or are we like Mary, and offer the Lord the _____ of Praise?*

Small Group Discussion

Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

1. Read ***John 12:1-12***. *Why does authentic worship need to cost the worshipper something dear to them?*
John 4:24, Romans 12:1-2, 2 Samuel 24:18-24
2. *How does our authentic worship attract others to Christ?*
Acts 1:8, Matthew 5:16, 1 Peter 2:12, 1 Timothy 5:25
3. The crowd that gathered on the road that first "Palm Sunday" wanted Jesus as their King. *Why did the crowd shout 'crucify Him' one week later? How does our refusal to submit to Christ and His directives fit this Biblical account?*
Luke 19:39-40, Luke 23:21, 1 Timothy 1:15, John 5:18, John 8:31
4. *What should our attitude be towards those living in a lifestyle of sin and bondage?*
Isaiah 61:1, Luke 19:41, 1 Corinthians 13:6, Romans 12:15, Romans 2:4
5. *What was our spiritual condition before being born again in Christ?*
Ephesians 2:1-3, John 3:1-16, John 8:34, John 1:11-13, Romans 3:23, Romans 6:23
6. *How great was the price paid by Jesus for your redemption?*
Romans 5:6-8, 1 Peter 1:18-19, Ephesians 1:7, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Hebrews 9:12
7. Discuss the practical application to this sermon.