

“MAKING SENSE OF THE MORE”
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I. Mark 14:3-9 (NKJV)

1. **What does it mean to have more of God? What does more look like?**
2. **More** (*Webster*)-Something greater in amount, quantity, size or a higher degree

II. 3 Ways the woman made sense of the MORE in her life

1. a woman came-Kingdom PURSUIT

- A. **1 Thessalonians 5:15 (NKJV)** See that no one renders evil for evil to anyone, but always pursue what is good both for yourselves and for all.
- B. **1 Timothy 6:11 (NKJV)** But you, O man of God, flee these things and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness.
- C. **Philippians 3:12 (NKJV)** Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me.
V14 I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.
- D. **V3 -Having-** *echó-* to have, hold or possess.
 1. **-Alabaster box-** *alabastron-* a phial or bottle of perfumed ointment. Perfume vase
 2. **-Very costly oil-***mýron-*anointing-oil, ointment
 3. **-Spikenard-***nárdos-*a perfume made originally from a plant growing on the Himalaya.
 4. **-Pure -pistikês-**genuine, trustworthy, having the power of persuading, skillful in producing belief, that can be relied on.
 5. When you want more of God in your life, you must be willing to pursue that which is pure.
- E. **1 John 3:3 (NKJV)** And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.
- F. **Matthew 5:8 (TPT)** “What bliss you experience when your heart is pure! For then your eyes will open to see more and more of God.
 1. **-See-***nahzon-* Future tense Progressively see God or Present tense.
- G. **Philippians 4:8 (AMP)** Finally, believers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable and worthy of respect, whatever is right and confirmed by God’s word, whatever is pure and wholesome, whatever is lovely and brings peace, whatever is admirable and of good repute; if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think continually on these things [center your mind on them, and implant them in your heart].

2. She broke and poured it on His head-Kingdom PRINCIPLE

- A. **V4 -Broke-***suntribó-*to break in pieces, crush or shatter
 1. **-sýn-***together or joined with (expresses association with)*
 2. **-tribō-** to rub, a rut (path) formed by rubbing through constant use. worn path, beaten track, road, highway.
 3. **-Poured-***katacheó-katá-*from a higher to a lower plane, with special reference to the end-point of something
 4. **-indignant-***aganakteó-* to grieve much or be angry.

5. **-among-***prós*-motion towards "interface with", moving toward a goal or destination).

B. John 3:30 (NKJV) He must increase, but I must decrease.

1. The more He increases in your life, the more you will decrease
2. Roads Church Core Value: We go low and grow/We stay humble and teachable

C. Matthew 5:3 (NKJV) Blessed are the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

1. We will have more of the Kingdom of Heaven in our lives when we choose to live humble and dependent on God as if He is our greatest need. Less is More!

D. Micah 6:6-8 (NKJV) He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the Lord require of you. But to do Justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God?

E. Colossians 3:12 (NIV) Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

F. 1 Peter 5:5 (NKJV) Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."

3. Why was this fragrance oil wasted?-Kingdom PERSPECTIVE

A. V5 -Wasted-*apóleia*- a destroying, utter destruction, ruin or loss of something

1. **V5 They criticized her-**to be moved with anger, to admonish sternly

B. Colossians 3:1-2 (NKJV) 1 If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. 2 Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.

1. **Set your mind-***phroneó*-to have understanding, to think

C. Hebrews 3:1 (NIV) Therefore, holy brothers and sisters, who share in the heavenly calling, fix your thoughts on Jesus, whom we acknowledge as our apostle and high priest.

D. 1 Corinthians 2:16 (NKJV) For "who has known the mind of the Lord that he may instruct Him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

III. APPLICATION:

1. **PURSUIT-**Getting more of God in your life will require greater pursuit after the nature, character and quality of the person of Jesus.
2. **PRINCIPLE-** You must be willing to pay the cost of becoming less so that God can become more in your life
3. **PERSPECTIVE-** Sometimes you have to think differently than your current surroundings even if it looks foolish and if there is opposition
