

Quotes Used the Sermon

CS Lewis

A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic – on a level with the man who says he is a poached egg – or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God; or else a madman or something worse. You can shut Him up for a fool, you can spit at Him and kill him as a demon; or you can fall at His feet and call Him Lord and God. But let us not come with any patronizing nonsense about His being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to.

Albert Einstein

Or how about Albert Einstein? As a child I received instruction both in the Bible and in the Talmud. I am a Jew, but I am enthralled by the luminous figure of the Nazarene....No one can read the Gospels without feeling the actual presence of Jesus. His personality pulsates in every word. No myth is filled with such life.

Watchman Nee

“What is a waste? Waste means, among other things, giving more than is necessary. If a shilling will do and you give a pound, it is a waste... If three days will suffice to finish a task well enough and you lavish five days or a week on it, it is a waste. Waste means that you give something too much for something too little... But remember, we are dealing here with something which the Lord said was to go out with the Gospel, wherever that Gospel should be carried. Why? Because he intends that the preaching of the Gospel should issue something along the very lines of the action of Mary here, namely, that people should come to him and waste themselves on him. This is the result that he is seeking... All of the twelve thought it a waste.”

Jonathan Edwards

This agony was caused by a vivid, bright, full and immediate view of the wrath of God. God the Father, as it were, set the cup down before his only son, which was vastly more terrible than Nebuchadnezzar’s furnace, and said, [Son, here’s the cup. Smell it. If you don’t drink it, they will perish.] Will you drink it? Will you be cast into the furnace? Jesus now had a near view of that furnace of wrath which he was about to be cast, and he stood and he viewed it’s raging flames and the glowing of its heat and he knew what it would be like to suffer. As the prophet said, ‘Who can stand before the indignation? Who can abide the fierceness of his anger or his fury which is poured out like fire?’

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A FAMOUS WOMAN & AN INFAMOUS MAN

- To the world it seems like a **WASTE**, but Jesus intends that we “waste” our lives on **HIM**.
- It’s in these moments that we see Judas’ true spiritual nature revealed. What is revealed is that he is **NOT** a true **BELIEVER**.
- If you are only looking to Jesus for **IMMEDIATE**, material, temporal, earthly blessings and benefits to make your life better, then you are going to be **DISAPPOINTED**.
- What is happening to Jesus has been a part of God’s **SOVEREIGN PLAN** that the death of Christ brings about the rescue of repentant sinners. But at the same time, Judas is **RESPONSIBLE** for his choices.

BREAD & CUP, BODY & BLOOD

BREAD: The broken bread of Jesus’ broken body means that no more lambs will need to be killed to remember this victory, because **JESUS**, the lamb of God, will be the **FINAL** sacrifice.

CUP: The shedding of Jesus’ blood opens the way for the redemption of humanity to enter into a new **COVENANT RELATIONSHIP** with God.

THE GRACE IN THE GARDEN

Jesus has come to be our **SUBSTITUTE**, and make a substitutionary payment on our behalf.

Without an understanding of the **WRATH** of God, you’ll never understand how much Jesus **LOVES** you.

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GROWTH GROUP DIGGING DEEPER QUESTIONS

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GETTING STARTED

1. Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, **was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, inspired or confused you?**

DIGGING DEEPER

2. **Read [Matthew 26:6-13](#)**

Is there any way in which you see what this woman did as a "waste?"

Why do you think this woman, Mary, responded the way she did? What do you think her motivation was, and what did it mean?

3. **Read [Matthew 26:14-25](#)**

Jesus and the disciples have now arrived in the "Upper Room" where they will celebrate the Passover Meal. All twelve of the disciples are together, but this will be the last time.

How would you describe what Judas has done, and what do you think he could have gotten to the place to do so?

GETTING PERSONAL

4. **Read [1 Corinthians 11:23-26](#), and [Matthew 26:26-30](#)**

Why are the elements of *broken bread* and *shared cup* a powerful picture of what Christ's death on the cross represents?

What is your experience like when you take communion (or what do you think it should be like)?

BRINGING IT HOME

5. **Read [Matthew 26:36-46](#)**

What do you think was going on when Jesus was agonizing in prayer?

What does this tell you about the love of Christ for you, and for the world ([John 3:16](#)).

PRAY TOGETHER