

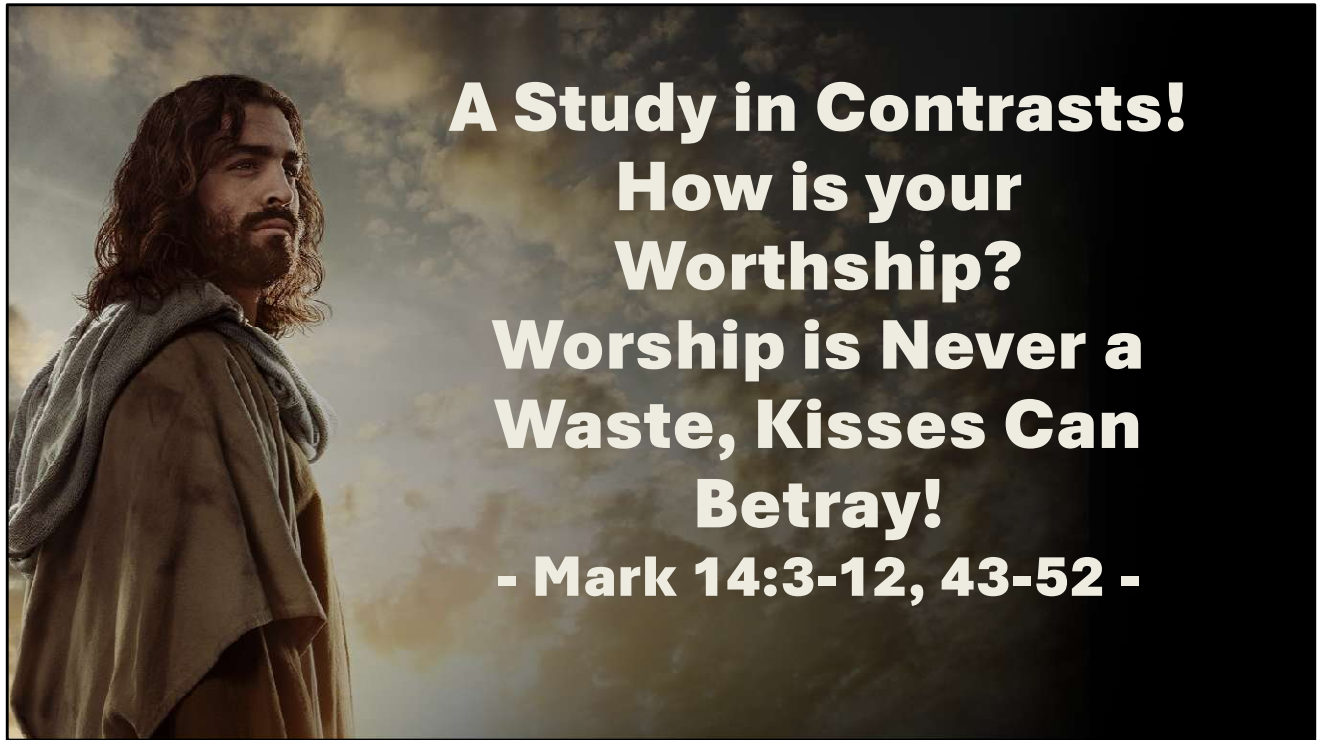


**The Messiah  
We  
Didn't  
Expect**



**June 7th is our 1st message**

**Miracles and Messages!**



A Study in Contrasts: Mary and Judas

A Study in contrasts! How is your Worthship?

Worship is never a waste, kisses can betray!

[\*Mar 14:3-12\*](#), 43-52 is our passage for this Sunday

[\*Mat 26:6-13\*](#); [\*Jhn 12:1-8\*](#) are the parallel gospel accounts

Our text this week doesn't harmonize smoothly with the others, what questions/assumptions are we left with?

How is this anointing like, yet different from another [\*\*Luk 7:36-50\*\*](#)

What is striking about Mary's extravagant act of worship?

What questions arise regarding Judas? Some very serious ones!

How does this story impact us when we see Jesus washing the disciple's feet?

What are the deep motivations of Mary and Judas?

We All worship something, what do you worship most?



# Broken and poured out

- At Bethany (Town of Mary, Martha & Lazarus - John 11:1)
- House of Simon the Leper (Healed?! – Luke 17:17, Matthew 26:6)
- Reclining at table – Psalm 23:5
- A woman came with an alabaster flask of ointment of pure nard, very costly and she broke the flask and poured it over his head

Bethany = "house of dates" or, "house of misery". Just a couple miles away, where Jesus often stayed.

[Jhn 11:1 ESV] 1 Now a certain man was ill, **Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha.**

[Luk 17:12-19 ESV] 12 And as he entered a village, he was **met by ten lepers**, who stood at a distance 13 and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." 14 When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. 15 Then **one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God** with a loud voice; 16 and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. 17 **Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? 18 Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?"** 19 And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

**[Psa 23:5 ESV] 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.**

**[Sng 1:2, 8, 12-13 KJV] 2 Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth: for thy love [is] better than wine. ... 8 If thou know not, O thou fairest among women, go thy way forth by the footsteps of the flock, and feed thy kids beside the shepherds' tents. ... 12 While the king [sitteth] at his table,**

**my spikenard sendeth forth the smell thereof. 13 A bundle of myrrh [is] my wellbeloved unto me; he shall lie all night betwixt my breasts.**

The **ancients considered alabaster, the name of a stone, to be the best material in which to preserve their ointments.** Breaking the box, probably means breaking the seal of the box.

The median household income in Pennsylvania is approximately **\$77,000 to \$80,000 per year** as of 2024–2025



**Jesus and Mary are center and vibrant and all the others are almost lost in the background, this is true worship**

	<b>Matthew</b>	<b>Mark</b>	<b>Luke</b>	<b>John</b>
<b>Text</b>	26:6-13	14:3-9	7:36-50	12:1-8
<b>Woman</b>	Anonymous	Anonymous	Anonymous	Mary (sister of Lazarus)
<b>When?</b>	2 days before Passover	2 days before Passover	Early in Jesus's ministry	6 days before Passover
<b>Where?</b>	Home of Simon the leper (Bethany)	Home of Simon the leper (Bethany)	Home of Simon the Pharisee (possibly town of Nain; see John 7:11)	Home unstated; Mary, Martha, and Lazarus involved (Bethany)
<b>Jesus's position</b>	Reclined at table	Reclined at table	Reclined at table	Unstated
<b>Anointing</b>	Perfume poured on head	Perfume poured on head	Ointment and tears on feet; wiped with hair	Perfume poured on feet; wiped with hair
<b>Ointment Case</b>	Alabaster flask	Alabaster flask	Alabaster flask	12oz jar
<b>Response of onlookers</b>	Disciples object	"Some" disciples object	Simon objects	Judas objects
<b>Primary objection</b>	Cost of perfume waster	Cost of perfume wasted	Sinfulness of woman	Cost of perfume wasted
<b>Response of Jesus</b>	Rebukes disciples	Rebukes disciples	Rebukes Simon	Rebukes Judas
<b>Next event</b>	Judas leaves, conspires with chief priests to turn Jesus over	Judas leaves, conspires with chief priests to turn Jesus over	Unstated	Chief priests conspire to kill Lazarus
<b>Jesus's conclusion</b>	She will be remembered & You always have the poor, but won't always have me	She will be remembered & You always have the poor, but won't always have me	She is forgiven; tells parable	You always have the poor, but won't always have me
<b>Reason for anointing</b>	For burial	For burial	Unstated (Presumably worship and repentance)	For burial

Luke records a similar/same? Story much earlier in Jesus' ministry?

Luke also mentions the woman was sinful! Tears too! On feet! Rebukes Simon, not the disciples

Luke highlights the depth of worshipful love

Days before Passover differences?

Only John mentions the name of the woman, Mary! possibly same story as Lk.7? [Jhn 11:2](#) It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair,

John mentions Martha and Lazarus were there and it was in honor of Lazarus' resurrection,

John reveals Judas motivation - "he was a thief, and having charge of the moneybag he used to help himself"

John records then Jesus washing the disciples feet Jn.13:1-38

John says she poured oil on Head and Feet!

3 accounts mention the home of Simon the Leper

3 mention concern for the Poor (a secondary priority to Worship!!)

3 Accounts mention it's the catalyst for Judas to betray and sell out Jesus

3 accounts mention it was to prepare Jesus for burial (Death!)

There are numerous differences that suggest that originally there were two separate anointing stories

(see the summary in Fitzmyer, Luke 1:684–85). In Luke’s version the event takes place in Galilee rather than in Judea; Jesus’ feet are anointed instead of his head; and it occurs in the presence of a Pharisee rather than among the disciples. There are indications that this story is rooted in early, Aramaic tradition (Taylor, 531; Cranfield, 417; Gundry, 811).

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**Are YOU Sitting? Reclining? Or Serving?!!**

# Mary, always at Jesus' feet

- Luke 10:39 – And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching.
- John 11:32 – Now when Mary came..., she fell at his feet, saying to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."
- John 12:3 – Mary therefore took a pound of expensive ointment made from pure nard, and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair.

**Whenever we see Mary, she is always at Jesus' feet.**

- 1. For teaching, she chose the better!**
- 2. For Comfort/hope**
- 3. For grateful Worship! Its always MOST telling when the Worship follows instead of precedes!  
Like Weddings and funerals**

[Luk 10:38-42 ESV] 38 Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. 39 And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. 40 But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." 41 But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, 42 **but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her.**"



Mary's face is hidden, her hair washing Jesus' feet

2024 Women spend an average of roughly \$877 per year on grooming, with a significant portion dedicated to hair products, cuts, and color. While, high-end salon services can lead to annual costs exceeding \$1,500–\$1,800 for some

<https://www.scalplosangeles.com/post/how-much-time-and-money-an-average-woman-spends-on-hair-vs-man-year-break-down>

# Worship is...

- Worship – from 2 words, it originally meant “the state of being worthy”.
- Proskyneō – to kiss the hand, prostration, obeisance
- We were made to worship; we ALL worship something!
- What is most important to you?! Treasured?! Time & \$
- Psalm 2:12 – Kiss the Son, lest he be angry and you perish

**Etymology:** Derived from *weorth* (worthy) and *-ship* (state of being), it originally meant "the state of being worthy".

to kiss the hand to (towards) one, in token of reverence. **4352 – *proskyneō kneeling or prostration to do homage (to one) or make obeisance***

[Psa 2:12 ESV] 12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

[Luk 22:48 ESV] 48 but Jesus said to him, "Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?"

[Isa 29:13 ESV] 13 And the Lord said: "Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men,

[Mat 15:7-9 ESV] 7 You hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy of you, when he said: 8 "This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; 9 in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men."

**[Mal 3:8, 13-18 ESV] 8 Will man rob God? Yet you are robbing me.** But you say, 'How have we robbed you?' In your tithes and contributions. ... **13 "Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, 'How have we spoken against you?' 14 You have said, 'It is vain to serve God.**

**What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? 15 And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape." 16 Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. 17 "They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. 18 Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.**

**the disciples, led by Judas, criticized Mary for wasting her money! It sounded so pious for Judas to talk about the poor, when in reality he wanted the money for himself! (John 12:4–6) Even in the Upper Room, six days later, the disciples still thought Judas was concerned about helping the poor (John 13:21–30). It is interesting that the word translated “waste” in Mark 14:4 is translated “perdition” in John 17:12 and applied to Judas! Judas criticized Mary for “wasting money,” but he wasted his entire life!**

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# Do You See This *Woman?*

LUKE 7:36-50

# Judas

- He was an Apostle and Empowered! – Matthew 10:5-8
- He saw Jesus up close, almost ALL the miracles
- He was loved by Jesus! Called him friend!  
– Matthew 26:50
- Jesus was BETRAYED! – Psalm 41:9, 55:12-22;  
Job 19:19



[Mat 11:19 ESV] 19 The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds."

ἑταῖρος *hetairos*, **G2083 a comrade, mate, partner**

[Mat 20:13 ESV] 13 But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius?'

[Mat 22:12 ESV] 12 And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless.

**[Mat 26:50 ESV] 50 Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you came to do." Then they came up and laid hands on Jesus and seized him. Not Philos, [Mat 11:19](#), [Jhn 15:14](#) You are my friends if you do what I command you. [Jas 2:23](#)**

[Jhn 6:64-66, 70-71 ESV] 64 But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) 65 And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father." 66 After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. ... 70 Jesus answered them, "Did I not choose you, the twelve? And yet one of you is a devil." 71 He spoke of Judas the son of Simon Iscariot, for he, one of the twelve, was going to betray him.

[Jhn 12:4-8 ESV] 4 But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was about to betray him), said, 5 "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" 6 He said this, not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief, and having charge of the moneybag he used to help himself to what was put into it. 7 Jesus said, "Leave her alone, so that she may keep it for the day of my burial. 8 For the poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me."

[Jhn 13:2, 18-19, 21-30 ESV] 2 During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, ... 18 I am not speaking of all of you; I know whom I have chosen. But the Scripture will be fulfilled, 'He who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me.' 19 I am telling you this now, before it takes place, that when it does take place you may believe that I am he. ... 21 After saying these things, Jesus was troubled in his spirit, and testified, "Truly, truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me." 22 The disciples looked at one another, uncertain of whom he spoke. 23 One of his disciples, whom Jesus loved, was reclining at table at Jesus' side, 24 so Simon Peter motioned to him to ask Jesus of whom he was speaking. 25 So that disciple, leaning back against Jesus, said to him, "Lord, who is it?" 26 Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I will give this morsel of bread when I have dipped it." So when he had dipped the morsel, he gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot. 27 Then after he had taken the morsel, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, "What you are going to do, do quickly." 28 Now no one at the table knew why he said this to him. 29 Some thought that, because Judas had the moneybag, Jesus was telling him, "Buy what we need for the feast," or that he should give something to the poor. 30 So, after receiving the morsel of bread, he immediately went out. And it was night.

[Act 1:16-20 ESV] 16 "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. 17 For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." 18 (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. 19 And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) 20 "For it is written in the Book of Psalms, "**May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in**

it'; and "'Let another take his office.'

### **All 4 gospel accounts called him a betrayer! And Acts**

[Mat 10:4 ESV] 4 Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot, **who betrayed him.**

[Mat 26:25 ESV] 25 **Judas, who would betray him,** answered, "Is it I, Rabbi?" He said to him, "You have said so."

[Mat 27:3 ESV] 3 Then when **Judas, his betrayer,** saw that Jesus was condemned, he changed his mind and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders,

[Mar 3:19 ESV] 19 and **Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.**

[Luk 6:16 ESV] 16 and Judas the son of James, and **Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.**

[Luk 22:3, 48 ESV] 3 Then **Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot,** who was of the number of the twelve. ... 48 but Jesus said to him, "**Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?**"

[Jhn 6:71 NLT] 71 He was speaking of **Judas,** son of Simon Iscariot, one of the Twelve, **who would later betray him.**

[Jhn 12:4 NLT] 4 But Judas Iscariot, the disciple **who would soon betray him,** said,

[Jhn 13:2 NLT] 2 It was time for supper, and the devil had already prompted **Judas, son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus.**

[Mat 10:5-8 NLT] 5 **Jesus sent out the twelve apostles** with these instructions: "Don't go to the Gentiles or the Samaritans, 6 but only to the people of Israel--God's lost sheep. 7 Go and announce to them that the Kingdom of Heaven is near. 8 **Heal the sick, raise the dead, cure those with leprosy, and cast out demons.** Give as freely as you have received! Lk.9:1-6

[Psa 41:9 ESV] 9 Even my close friend in whom I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted his

heel against me.

[Psa 55:12-14, 20-22 For it is not an enemy who taunts me-- then I could bear it; it is not an adversary who deals insolently with me-- then I could hide from him. 13 But it is you, a man, my equal, my companion, my familiar friend. 14 We used to take sweet counsel together; within God's house we walked in the throng. ... 20 My companion stretched out his hand against his friends; he violated his covenant. 21 His speech was smooth as butter, yet war was in his heart; his words were softer than oil, yet they were drawn swords. 22 Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

[Job 19:19 ESV] 19 All my intimate friends abhor me, and those whom I loved have turned against me.

Acts 1

[Psa 69:25 ESV] 25 May their camp be a desolation; let no one dwell in their tents.

[Psa 109:9, 12-15 ESV] 9 May his children be fatherless and his wife a widow! ... 12 Let there be none to extend kindness to him, nor any to pity his fatherless children! 13 May his posterity be cut off; may his name be blotted out in the second generation! 14 May the iniquity of his fathers be remembered before the LORD, and let not the sin of his mother be blotted out! 15 Let them be before the LORD continually, that he may cut off the memory of them from the earth!

# Judas

- He totally deceived the other disciples! Himself??
- Every rejector of Christ is NO different!



Why did Judas  
betray Jesus?



# Judas was never saved!

- John 6:64 – But there are some of you who do not believe. (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.)
- John 6:70 & 71 – Jesus answered them, “Did I not choose you, the twelve? And yet one of you is a devil. He spoke of Judas the son of Simon Iscariot, for he, one of the twelve, was going to betray him.

**1-2 yrs earlier, Jesus already knew Judas was a betrayer and a Devil!**

**Jesus said it was because they didnt REALLY BELIEVE!! Believe is too pliable/ealastic a word.**

**Jesus KNEW from the beginning!**

**They came for the miracles; they left because of the message!**

**[Luk 10:1 ESV] 1 After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go.**

**[Jhn 6:60-61, 66 ESV] 60 When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" 61 But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? ... 66 After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him.**



“JUDAS,  
ARE YOU  
BETRAYING  
THE SON OF MAN  
WITH A  
KISS?”

LUKE 22:48

## Because he was a thief!

- John 12:4 – But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was about to betray him), “Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?” He said this, not because he cared about the poor, but because he was thief, and having charge of the moneybag he used to help himself to what was put into it.
- Beware the Grifters/Scammers for “the Poor”



# LESSONS FROM JUDAS ISCARIOT

He walked with Jesus – but chose silver over salvation.

## 1. DON'T TRADE PURPOSE FOR PROFIT

He sold destiny for a moment of gain.

1 Tim. 6:10

## 2. PROXIMITY ISN'T RELATIONSHIP

Close to Jesus, but far from truth.

Matt. 15:8

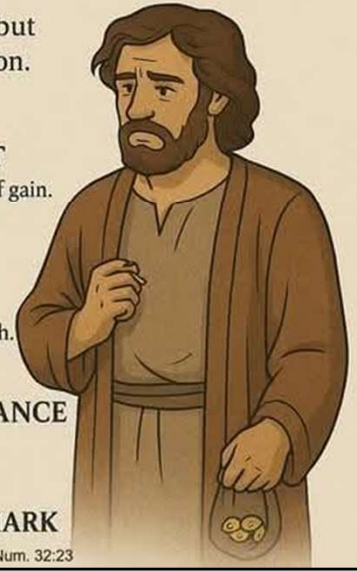
## 3. REGRET ≠ REPENTANCE

Tears don't mean turning.

2 Cor. 7:10

## 4. CHOICES LEAVE A MARK

One betrayal echoed forever. Num. 32:23



# That the Scripture might be fulfilled.

- John 13:2 – when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him
- John 17:12 – While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled  
- Psalm 109:6-12; Acts 1:16-25

[Jhn 6:37, 39-40 ESV] 37 All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ... 39 And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. 40 For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

[Jhn 10:27-28 ESV] 27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. **28 I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand.** [Jhn 10:29 ESV] 29 My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.

**The Devil already had easy access to Judas' heart! [Mat 13:25 but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away.**

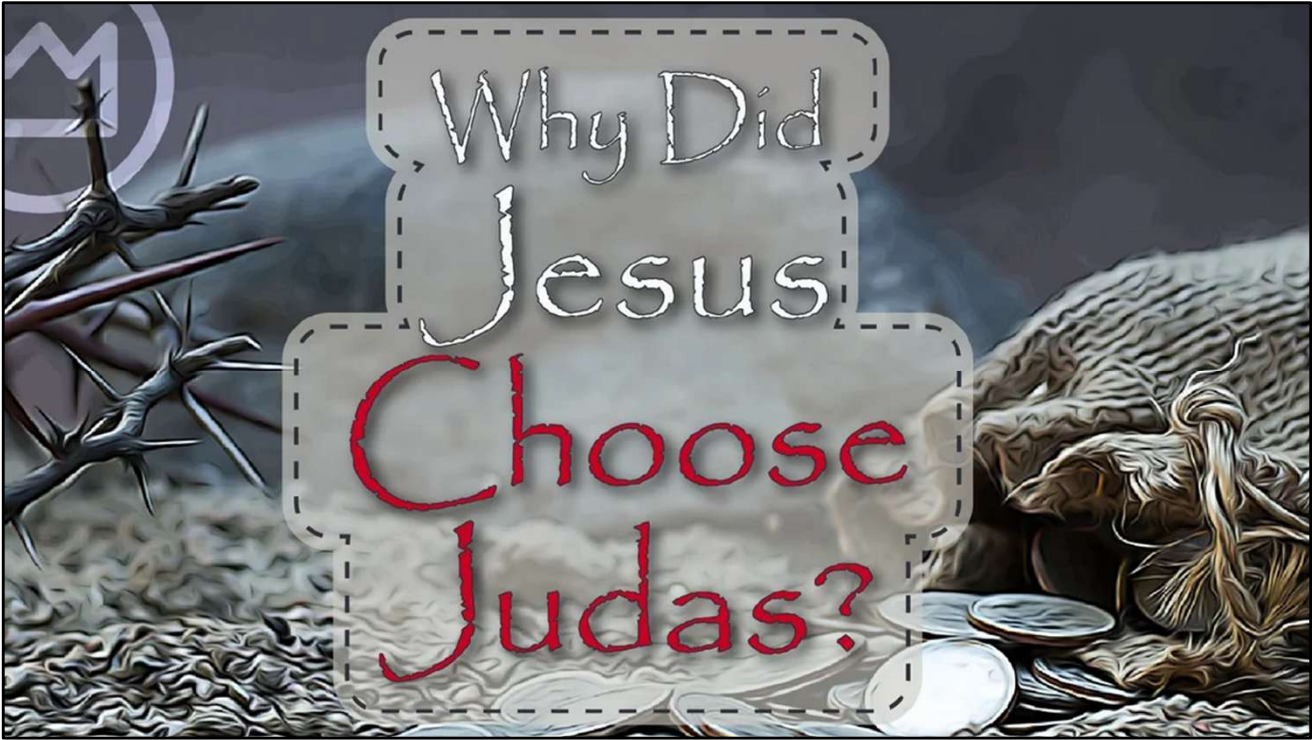
**The scripture had foreseen and predicted and depended on his betrayal, over a 1000yrs prior!**

[Jhn 13:18 ESV] 18 I am not speaking of all of you; I know whom I have chosen. But the Scripture will be fulfilled, 'He who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me.'

[Jhn 18:9 ESV] 9 This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken: "Of those whom you gave me I have lost not one."

[Psa 109:6-12 ESV] 6 Appoint a wicked man against him; let an accuser stand at his right hand. 7 When he is tried, let him come forth guilty; let his prayer be counted as sin! 8 May his days be few; may another take his office! 9 May his children be fatherless and his wife a widow! 10 May

**his children wander about and beg, seeking food far from the ruins they inhabit! 11**  
**May the creditor seize all that he has; may strangers plunder the fruits of his toil! 12**  
**Let there be none to extend kindness to him, nor any to pity his fatherless children!**



# I NEVER knew you!

- Matthew 7:21-22 – “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, “Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?”

**They said the right things**

**They did good things, to some measure!**

**I Never knew you!**

**NOT: I used to know you?! Oh man, you came so close, shoulda tried just a little harder!**

**The Key here is KNOWing the Lord! Doing His will!**

**1Jo 2:19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us. But they went out, that it might become plain that they all are not of us.**

# I NEVER knew you!

- Matthew 7:23 – And the will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’  
- 1 John 2:19





**MALCHUS**  
**THE LAST MIRACLE**  
**OF JESUS**

## Peter goes down swinging

- Luke 22:38 – And they said, “Look, Lord, here are two swords.” And he said to them, “It is enough.”
- John 18:10-11 – The Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest’s servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant’s name was Malchus)
- John 18:11 – So Jesus said to Peter, “Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?”

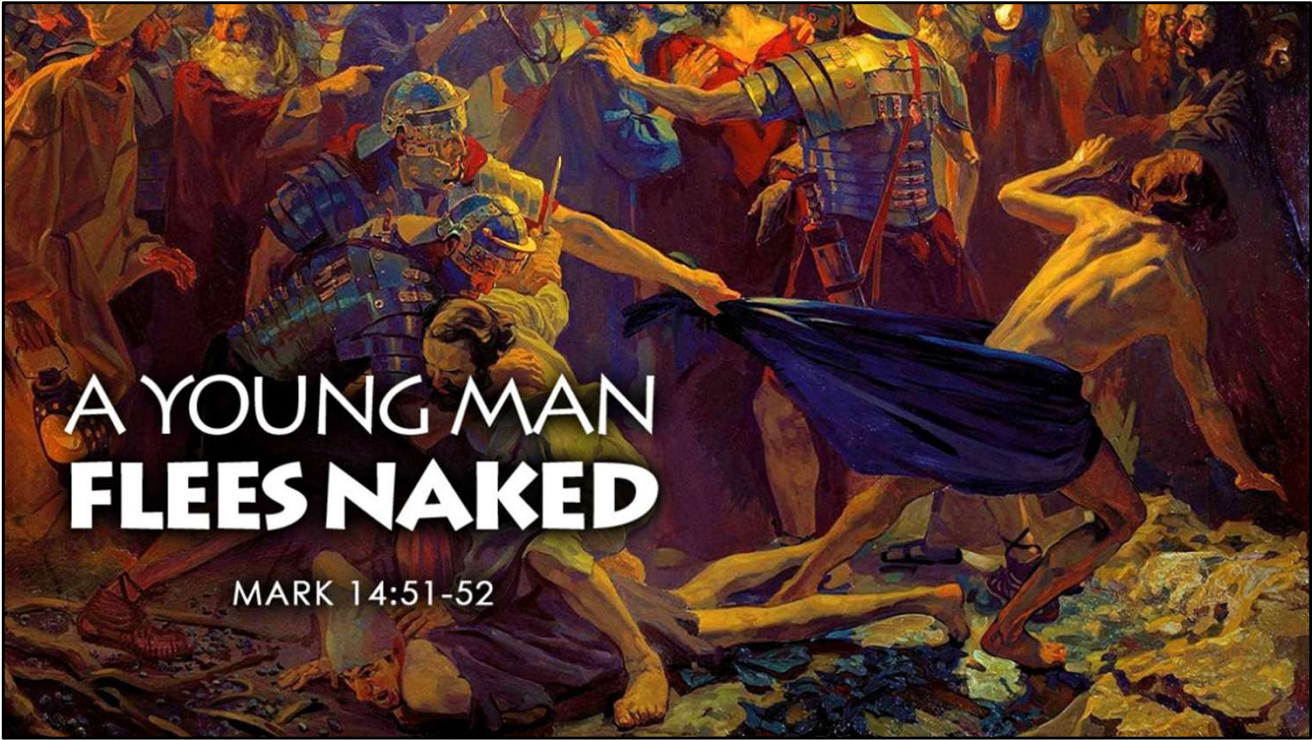
[Mat 26:52-54 ESV] 52 Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place. For all who take the sword will perish by the sword. 53 Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels? 54 But how then should the Scriptures be fulfilled, that it must be so?"

[Jhn 18:10-11 ESV] 10 Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.) 11 So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?"

[2Co 10:4 ESV] 4 For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds.

[Luk 22:24, 26-27, 31-34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 46, 48-55 ESV] 24 A dispute also arose among them, as to which of them was to be regarded as the greatest. ... 26 But not so with you. Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves. 27 For who is the greater, one who reclines at table or one who serves? Is it not the one who reclines at table? But I am among you as the one who serves. ... 31 "Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, 32 but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers." 33 Peter said to him, "Lord, I am ready to go with you both to prison and to death." 34 Jesus said, "I tell you, Peter, the rooster will not crow this day, until you deny three times that you know me." ... 36 He said to them, "But now let the one who has a moneybag take it, and likewise a knapsack. And let the one who has no sword sell his cloak and buy one. ... 38 And they said, "Look, Lord, here are two swords." And he said to them, "It is enough." ... 40 And when he came

to the place, he said to them, "Pray that you may not enter into temptation." ... 42 saying, "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done." ... 46 and he said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Rise and pray that you may not enter into temptation." ... 48 but Jesus said to him, "Judas, would you betray the Son of Man with a kiss?" 49 And when those who were around him saw what would follow, they said, "Lord, shall we strike with the sword?" 50 And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. 51 But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him. 52 Then Jesus said to the chief priests and officers of the temple and elders, who had come out against him, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs? 53 When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness." 54 Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house, and Peter was following at a distance. 55 And when they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat down among them.



A YOUNG MAN  
**FLEES NAKED**

MARK 14:51-52

# A Streaker in the Garden!

- Mark 14:51 – And a young man followed him, with nothing but a linen cloth about his body. And they seized him, but he left the linen cloth and ran away naked.
- Hebrews 4:13 – And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

**Only Mark reports this part of the story, He seems to have this personal info that no one else did**

**Was it a belated confession (Personal) or is there another point? (Symbolic for us all)**

**Persecution strips,us of any appearance of devotion and reveals our true hearts!**

**Like the 1st Garden, Eden, Nakedness was exposed!**

[Gen 3:7 ESV] 7 Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

The Rev. William E. Flippin Jr. - [Naked Young Man and the Easter Angel in the Gospel of Mark](#) - Mark 14:51-52

"And a young man followed [Jesus], with nothing but a linen cloth about his body. And they seized him, but he left the linen cloth and ran away naked."

Jesus had no help at the cross from his followers. Only he could bring about our salvation, and so he had to work alone. This view of disciples abandoning Jesus at his loneliest hour is affirmed in all the Gospels. However, I believe, in looking closely at some Greek words, that Mark's intention as a Gospel writer, showing that this man dressed in a white robe had a secret message -- a prevalent theme in Mark of the rebirth of humanity that was naked in sin.

Mark describes the young man in question as a neaniskos, meaning he was in the prime of his life, perhaps 15 to 25 years old. The verb that is used, sunékolouthei, means "was following as a disciple"

or "was accompanying." Since no one evinces any surprise at the young man's presence, he was probably a disciple.

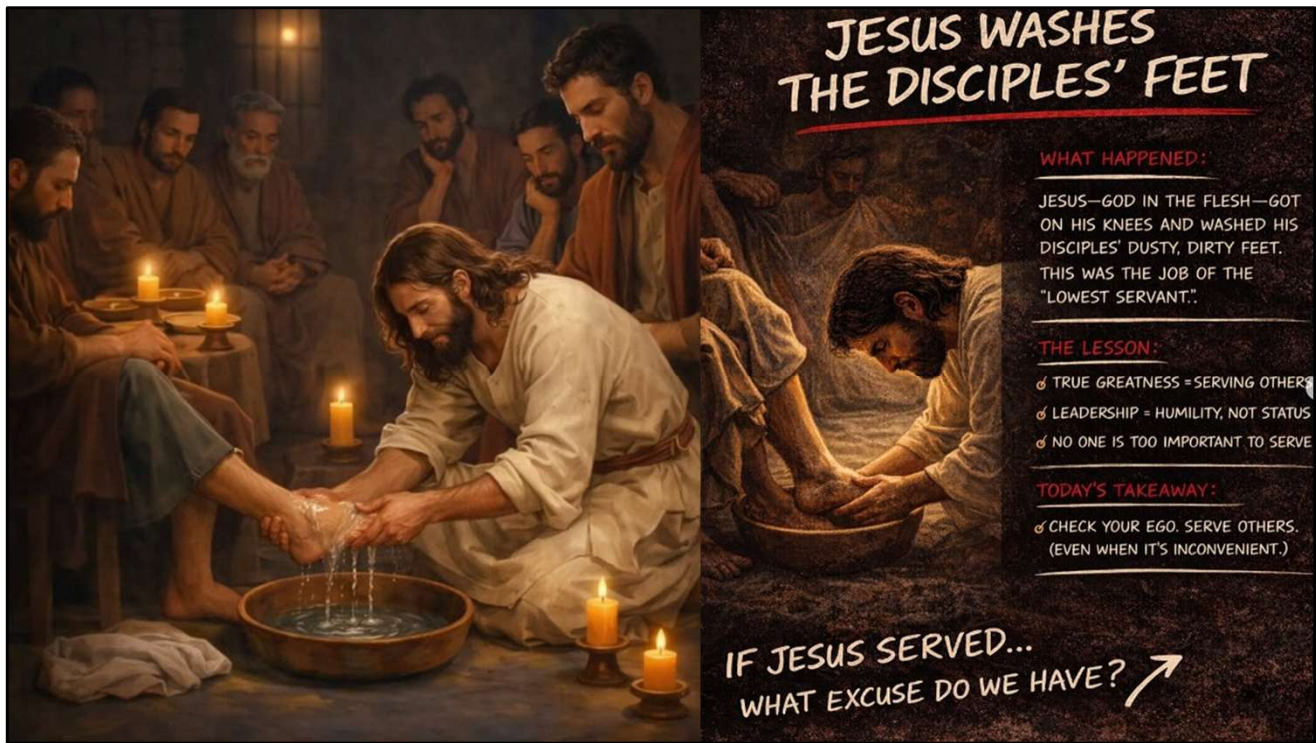
(Fascinatingly, the word *neaniskos*, which is rare in the Christian Testament, crops up a second time in Mark, to describe the young man in the long white robe who tells the women disciples that Jesus has been raised and they will see him again in Galilee.)

In verses 14:51-52, Mark tells us that "A young man was present who was wearing nothing but a *sindon*. The posse caught hold of him, but he left the *sindon* and ran away naked."

Here's the big discovery I stumbled over by accident: A *sindon* was a linen cloth used for clothing or burial. The word is used exactly four times in the Christian Testament: in the three synoptic gospels to describe the cloth in which Jesus' dead body was wrapped for burial... and here. This to me is the connection of the naked young man and the burial of Jesus and the proclamation of the Easter Angel. In Mark's Gospel, he explicitly says that the person that proclaimed to the confused women present at the tomb was a young man, not an angel wearing a white robe. For him to be wearing a *sindon*, which is very specifically used for burial clothing, has some deliberate correlations by the Gospel writer Mark in identifying the significant transformation of the death and rebirth of humanity as found in the Resurrection. The motif of the clothing reinforces the impression that the two episodes form a coherent whole. **Mark often mentions clothing with strong symbolic overtones so that it has special significance for him. Consequently the clothes of John the Baptist in Mark 1:6 identify him as a prophet, and, therefore, as an important figure at the beginning of the gospel. The clothing of Jesus in the episode on the transfiguration in Mark 9:3 becomes dazzling white, 'whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them.'** The nature of the clothing underlines the mysterious significance of the event. **In Mark 14:30" 33, the High Priest tore his clothes after Jesus' pronouncement about the Son of Man at the right hand and coming with the clouds.**

<https://hermeneutics.stackexchange.com/questions/4826/what-is-the-significance-of-the-young-man-who-runs-away-naked-in-marks-gospel>

In a Jewish context nakedness would be regarded as a shameful state.



Jhn 13:1-38 ESV] 1 Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. 2 During supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, 3 Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, 4 rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. 5 Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him. 6 He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" 7 Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterward you will understand." 8 Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no share with me." 9 Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" 10 Jesus said to him, "The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but is completely clean. And you are clean, but not every one of you." 11 For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "Not all of you are clean." 12 When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you? 13 You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. 14 If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. 15 For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you. 16 Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. 17 If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them. 18 I am not speaking of all of you; I know whom I have chosen. But the Scripture will be fulfilled, 'He who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me.' 19 I am telling you this now, before it

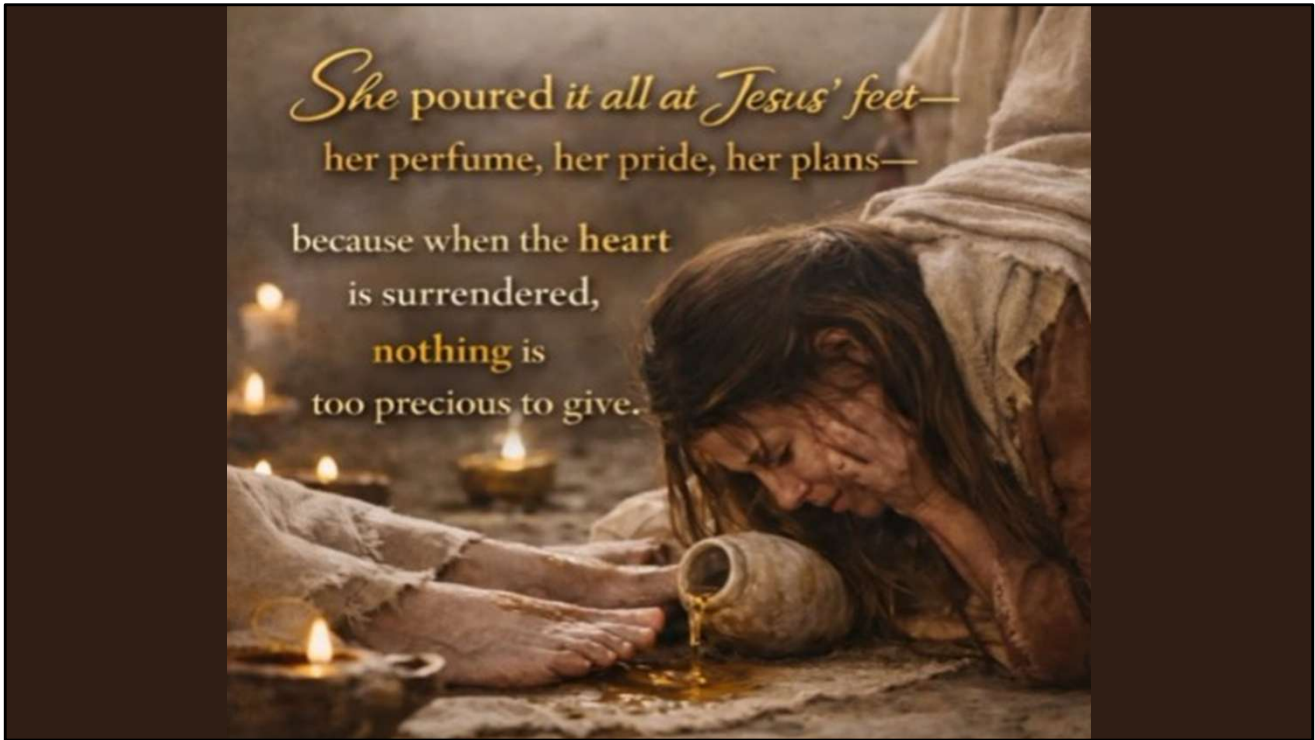
takes place, that when it does take place you may believe that I am he. 20 Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever receives the one I send receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me." 21 After saying these things, Jesus was troubled in his spirit, and testified, "Truly, truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me." 22 The disciples looked at one another, uncertain of whom he spoke. 23 One of his disciples, whom Jesus loved, was reclining at table at Jesus' side, 24 so Simon Peter motioned to him to ask Jesus of whom he was speaking. 25 So that disciple, leaning back against Jesus, said to him, "Lord, who is it?" 26 Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I will give this morsel of bread when I have dipped it." So when he had dipped the morsel, he gave it to Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot. 27 Then after he had taken the morsel, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, "What you are going to do, do quickly." 28 Now no one at the table knew why he said this to him. 29 Some thought that, because Judas had the moneybag, Jesus was telling him, "Buy what we need for the feast," or that he should give something to the poor. 30 So, after receiving the morsel of bread, he immediately went out. And it was night. 31 When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. 32 If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. 33 Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, 'Where I am going you cannot come.' 34 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. 35 By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." 36 Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, where are you going?" Jesus answered him, "Where I am going you cannot follow me now, but you will follow afterward." 37 Peter said to him, "Lord, why can I not follow you now? I will lay down my life for you." 38 Jesus answered, "Will you lay down your life for me? Truly, truly, I say to you, the rooster will not crow till you have denied me three times.

## Jesus washes feet??!

- Only a few days later, Jesus washes disciples' feet!
- As He anticipates His death and tells of a betrayer
- Jesus models Humility, Service and Devotion/Love
- Disciple's exhibit pride, selfishness and defensive
- God on His knees!
- Now we see Jesus / God on His throne!



With Mary's extravagant display of love, hospitality and worship, Why weren't the Disciples washing Jesus' feet???!



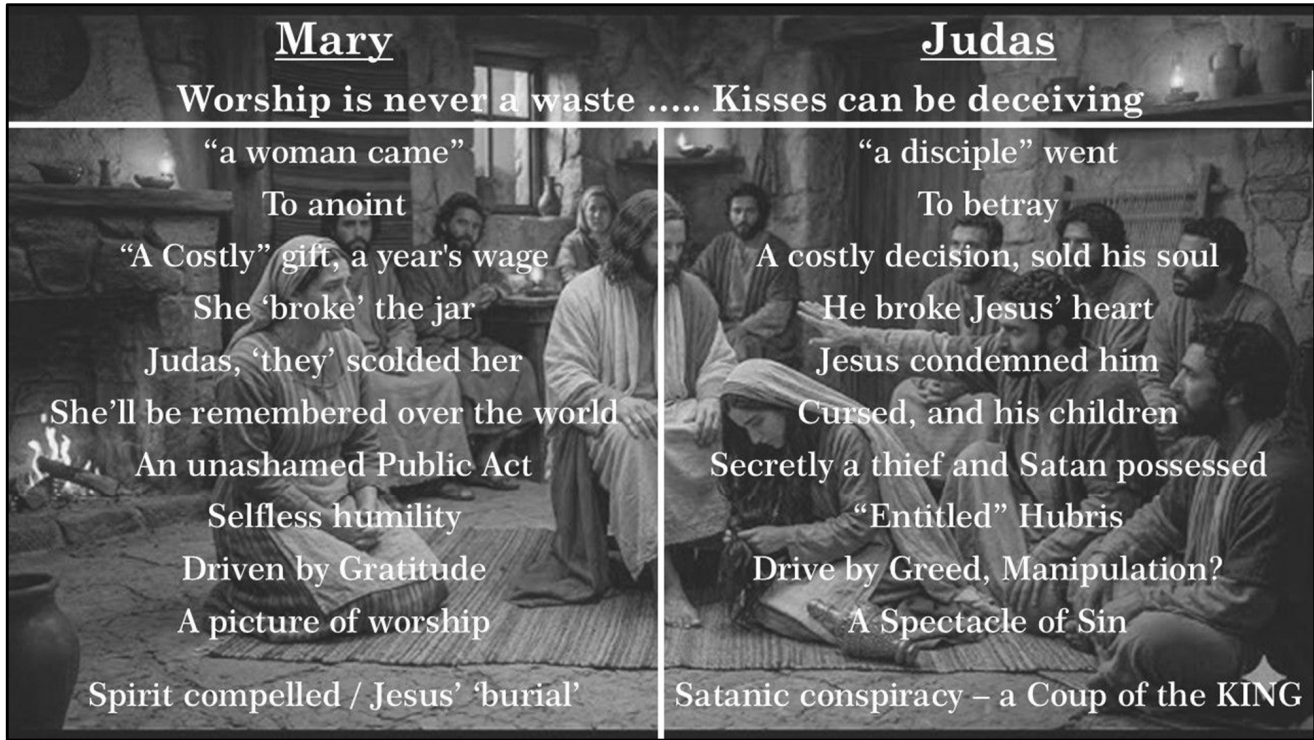
*She poured it all at Jesus' feet—  
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**She poured it ALL at Jesus' feet –**

**Her perfume, her pride, her plans**

**Because when the heart is surrendered, NOTHING is too precious to give!**



Mary

Worship is never a waste .... Kisses can be deceiving

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Both on a mission, very different purposes!

Her good work glorified God and was a blessing to the whole world (vv. 6, 9; Matt. 5:14–16). The word “waste” in v. 4 is, in the Gk., the same as “perdition” in John 17:12, a verse that refers to Judas. It was Judas who was the “waster,” not Mary!

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**IF they  
would've had  
Cell Phones,  
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**They all  
remember  
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day, because  
they were all  
focused on  
Selfies!  
Not on the  
Savior!**

**And when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”**

**1 Corinthians 11:24**

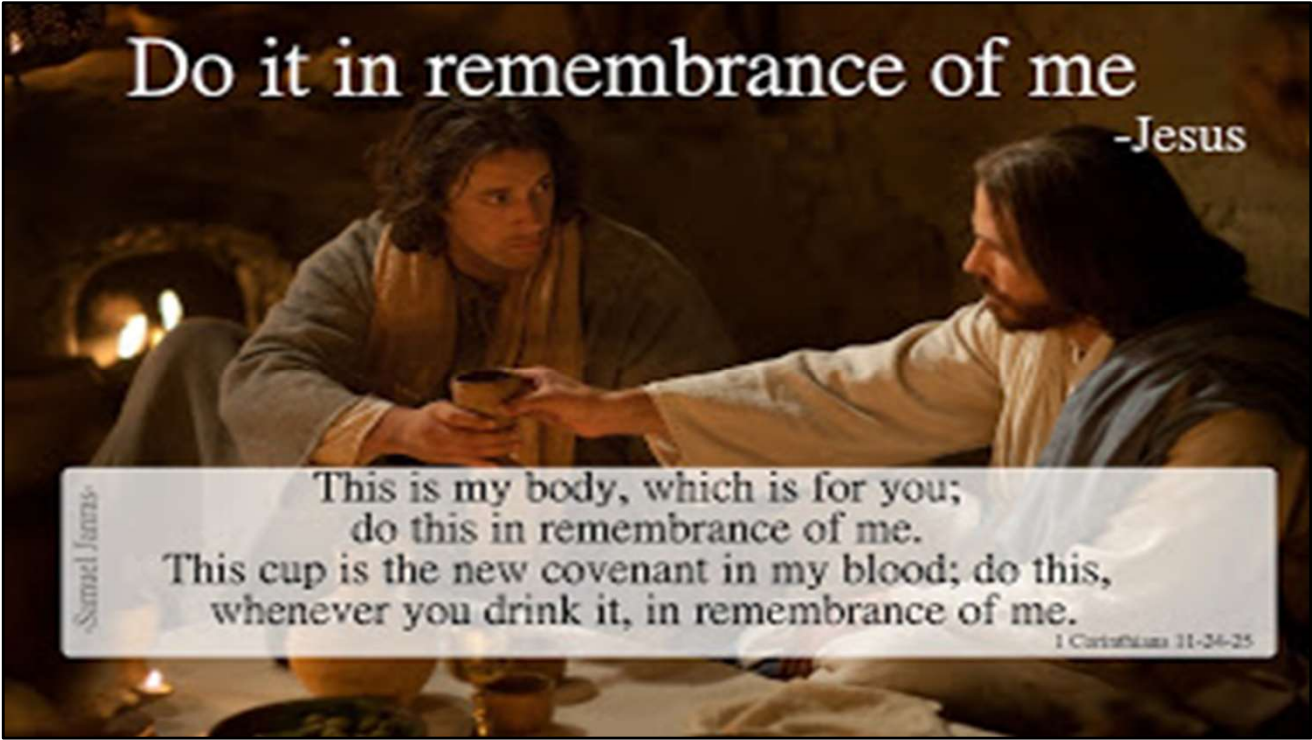




**In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”**

**1 Corinthians 11:25**





Do it in remembrance of me

-Jesus

Samuel Janusz

This is my body, which is for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.  
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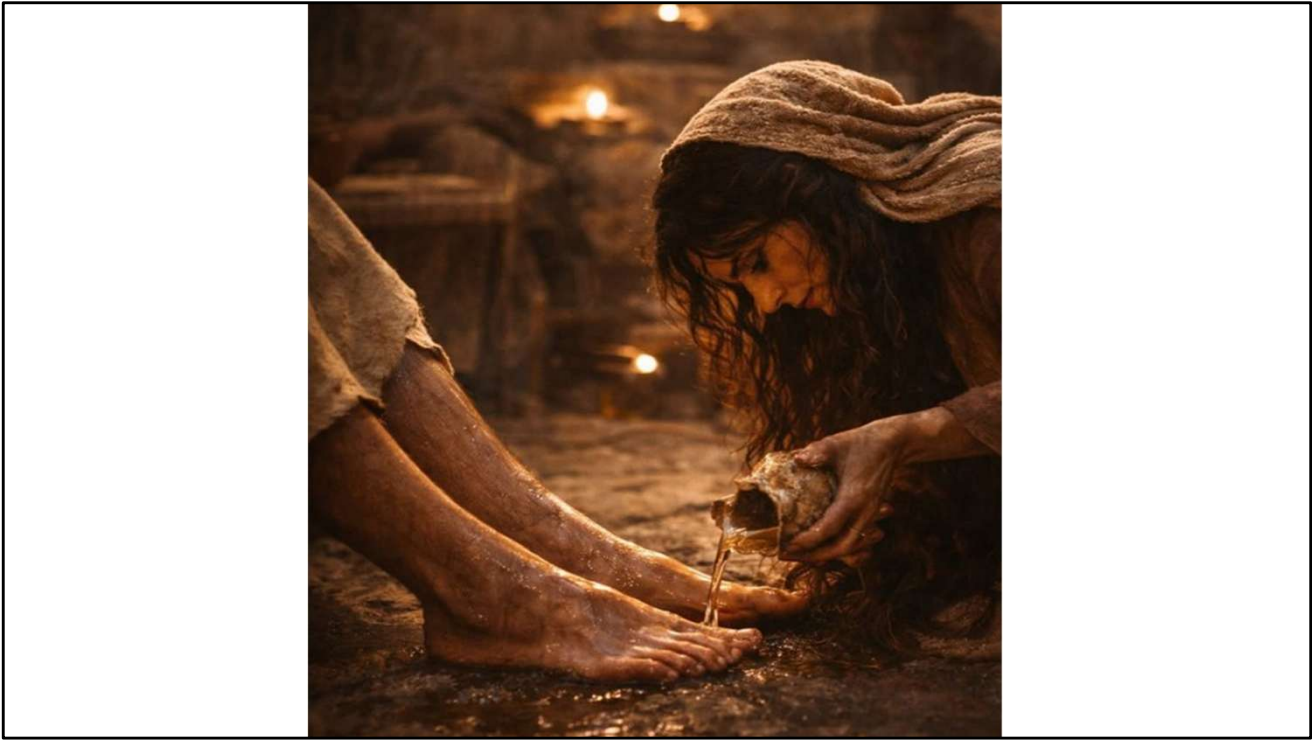


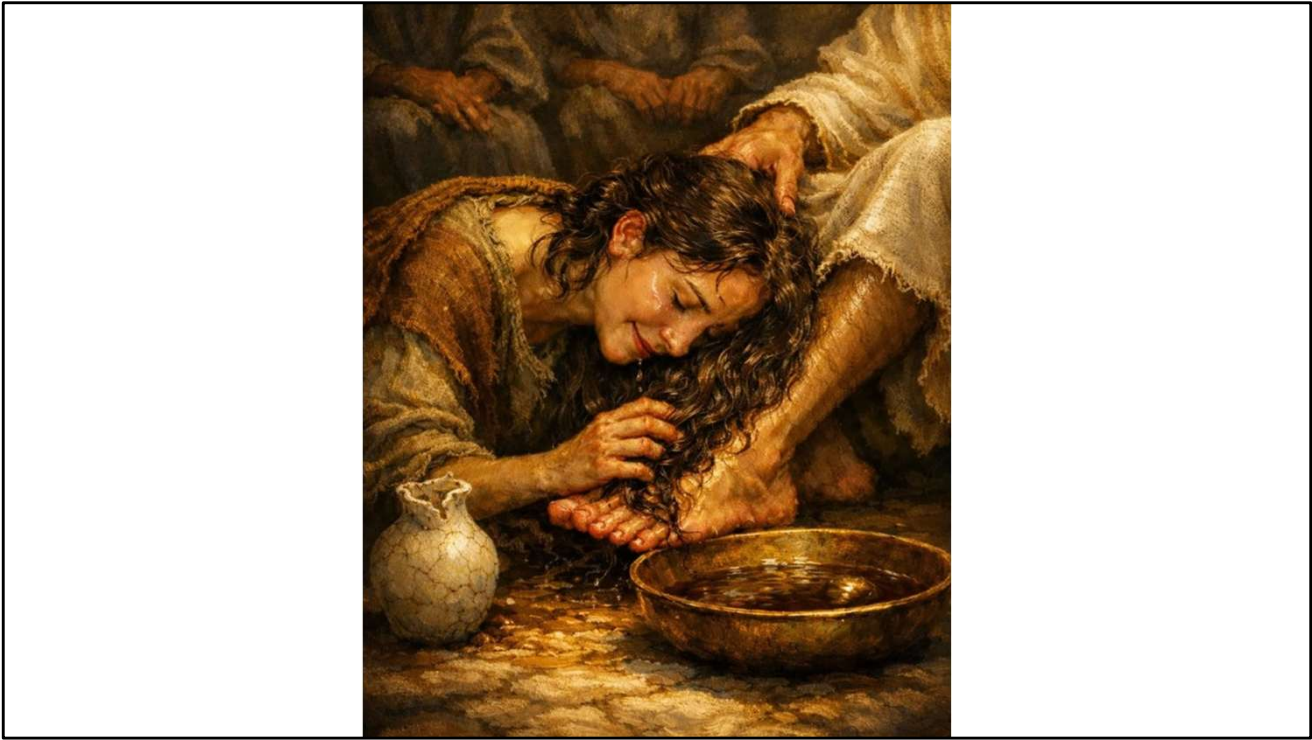


















Matthew 26:6-13	Mark 14:3-9	Luke 7:36-40	John 12:1-8
<p><sup>6</sup> Now when Jesus was in Bethany, at the home of Simon the leper, <sup>7</sup> a woman came to Him with an alabaster vial of very costly perfume, and she poured it on His head as He reclined at the table. <sup>8</sup> But the disciples were indignant when they saw this, and said, "Why this waste? <sup>9</sup> For this perfume might have been sold for a high price and the money given to the poor." <sup>10</sup> But Jesus, aware of this, said to them, "Why do you bother the woman? For she has done a good deed to Me. <sup>11</sup> For you always have the poor with you; but you do not always have Me. <sup>12</sup> For when she poured this perfume on My body, she did it to prepare Me for burial. <sup>13</sup> Truly I say to you, wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be spoken of in memory of her."</p>	<p><sup>3</sup> While He was in Bethany at the home of Simon the leper, and reclining at the table, there came a woman with an alabaster vial of very costly perfume of pure nard; and she broke the vial and poured it over His head. <sup>4</sup> But some were indignantly remarking to one another, "Why has this perfume been wasted? <sup>5</sup> For this perfume might have been sold for over three hundred denari, and the money given to the poor." And they were scolding her. <sup>6</sup> But Jesus said, "Let her alone; why do you bother her? She has done a good deed to Me. <sup>7</sup> For you always have the poor with you, and whenever you wish you can do good to them; but you do not always have Me. <sup>8</sup> She has done what she could; she has anointed My body beforehand for the burial. <sup>9</sup> Truly I say to you, wherever the gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be spoken of in memory of her."</p>	<p><sup>36</sup> Now one of the Pharisees was requesting Him to dine with him, and He entered the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table. <sup>37</sup> And there was a woman in the city who was a sinner; and when she learned that He was reclining at the table in the Pharisee's house, she brought an alabaster vial of perfume, <sup>38</sup> and standing behind Him at His feet, weeping, she began to wet His feet with her tears, and kept wiping them with the hair of her head, and kissing His feet and anointing them with the perfume. <sup>39</sup> Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet He would know who and what sort of person this woman is who is touching Him, that she is a sinner." <sup>40</sup> And Jesus answered him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." ... two debtors parable (v41-50) ...</p>	<p>Jesus, therefore, six days before the Passover, came to Bethany where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. <sup>2</sup> So they made Him a supper there, and Martha was serving; but Lazarus was one of those reclining at the table with Him. <sup>3</sup> Mary then took a pound of very costly perfume of pure nard, and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped His feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. <sup>4</sup> But Judas Iscariot, one of His disciples, who was intending to betray Him, said, <sup>5</sup> "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denari and given to poor people?" <sup>6</sup> Now he said this, not because he was concerned about the poor, but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box, he used to pilfer what was put into it. <sup>7</sup> Therefore Jesus said, "Let her alone, so that she may keep it for the day of My burial. <sup>8</sup> For you always have the poor with you, but you do not always have Me."</p>
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# THE MAN WHO FLED NAKED



WHEN FEAR TAKES OVER...

# Jesus may delay, but He is never careless.



## John 11:11

1 Now a man named Lazarus was sick. He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha.

2 (This Mary, whose brother Lazarus now lay sick, was the same one who poured perfume on the Lord and wiped his feet with her hair.)

3 So the sisters sent word to Jesus, "Lord, the one you love is sick."

4 When he heard this, Jesus said, "This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God's glory so that God's Son may be glorified through it."

Lazarus was sick. Mary and Martha were hurting. They sent a simple message: "Lord, the one you love is sick." That is powerful. They did not say, "The useful one is sick." They did not say, "The faithful one is sick." They appealed to love.

- You can be loved by Jesus and still go through sickness.
- You can be loved by Jesus and still face a crisis.
- You can be loved by Jesus and still not understand His timing.

Jesus said: "This sickness will not end in death." He was not saying Lazarus would not die temporarily. He was declaring that death would not have the final word.

The sickness had a purpose beyond what Mary and Martha could see. It was for God's glory, so that God's Son may be glorified through it.

That means the situation that looked like loss was about to become a stage for revelation. The grave was not the ending. The delay was not denial. The sickness was not stronger than the Savior.

## Prophetic declaration:

What looks dead  
is not beyond  
His voice.

What looks  
delayed is not  
abandoned.

When Jesus speaks,  
graves lose authority,  
death loses its grip,  
and the glory of God  
steps into the room.







