

Treachery and Faith

Mark 14:1-11

Determined to Kill

(Mark 14:1-2)

- Their priority was to maintain position and power
- Jesus always threatens the status quo

The Sacrifice of Faith

(Mark 14:3-9)

- A commitment to follow Jesus, wherever that might lead
- Is there anything you must set aside to follow the call of Jesus?

Betrayal and Abandonment

(Mark 14:10-11)

- Proximity doesn't guarantee faith
- Without the Spirit's sustaining power, we would also abandon Jesus

Wherever the Gospel is Proclaimed

- True faith includes a personal identification with Jesus in His death and resurrection.

For Life Group Discussion

Mark 14:1-11

1. Read Matthew 26:1-16, Mark 14:1-11, and John 12:1-8. What similarities and differences do you observe? What can we learn from each account?
2. Do you agree that Jesus is a disruptor of the status quo? Has He ever caused you to change plans, relationships, or direction?
3. Read Luke 10:38-39; John 11:28-33. Together with John 12:1-3, what do we learn about Mary and her posture toward Jesus? What would it look like to follow her example?
4. Read Matthew 13:44-46. Is there anything of value you must set aside to follow the call of Jesus?
5. Why do you think Judas betrayed Jesus? What scriptures would you cite to support your claim? Are we subject to any of the same temptations?
6. What does it mean to personally identify with Jesus in His death and resurrection? What insights do we get from Paul's discussion of baptism in Romans 6:1-14?