The Gospel of Mark – part 39

Worship Jesus

I.

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EXTRAORDINARY LOVE

MARK 14:1-11

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MARK 14:1-11 It was now two days before the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread. And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to arrest him by stealth and kill him, 2 for they said, "Not during the feast, lest there be an uproar from the people." 3 And while he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he was reclining at table, 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. 4 There were some who said to themselves indignantly, "Why was the ointment wasted like that? 5 For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii and given to the poor." And they scolded her. 6 But Jesus said, "Leave her alone. Why do you trouble her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. 7 For you always have the poor with you, and whenever you want, you can do good for them. But you will not always have me. 8 She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for burial. 9 And truly, I say to you, wherever the gospel is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in memory of her."10 Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. 11 And when they heard it, they were glad and promised to give him money. And he sought an opportunity to betray him.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What was the greatest gift that someone has ever given you?
- **2.** What is so significant about Jesus coming to Simon the leper's house?
- **3.** Does Mary's act of worship seem too extravagant to you? (Explain why or why not)
- **4.** In what ways do you find yourself being overly concerned about what others think about you?
- **5.** Are there any simple and practical ways that you could love Jesus more extraordinarily?