

DINNER WITH A DEAD GUY (sort of)

John 12:1-11

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1. This scene feels like reality TV. *John 12:1-2*

Jesus uses the rest of us and not just the
best of us.

2. Mary freaks out. *John 12:3*

When the crowd was hanging out with Jesus, Mary
was worshipping Him.

3. Judas comes unmasked. *John 12:4-5*

The seed of our greatest failure is planted securely in our
unmonitored weakness.

Conclusion:

A point to ponder.

This is the story of a woman who would do anything for
Jesus, and of a man who would do anything
for himself.

A question to ask yourself.

Are you in love with Jesus enough that you would be willing to
utterly pour out, give up, trade in, and part with whatever it is that
is absolutely most valuable to you?

The answer to this question determines whether you're worshipping
Jesus as a God or as the God.

Answer these questions and discuss in your group this week:

1. Read John 12:1-11 and discuss the whole scenario, reflecting especially on the personalities and stories of the people who were present at that meal. What does this tell us about Jesus?
2. When Mary was overwhelmed by Jesus she took her most valuable possession and emptied it in honor to him. In our modern culture, what would it look like to "freak out" for Jesus, and what would this look like in our everyday lives?
3. Judas was greedy before he was a thief and he was a thief before he sold the Savior of the world for 30 pieces of silver. Reflect on the reality that little weaknesses can compound and eventually lead us to places we never imagined we would be.
4. Discuss the difference between worshipping Jesus as a God or the God, and our tendency to put ourselves on God's throne. In what ways do we circumvent God's authority in our lives?

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READ THE BIBLE IN A YEAR.

Don't forget to Read, Reflect and Respond.

MON - Jeremiah 3-5; 1 Timothy 4

TUES - Jeremiah 6-8; 1 Timothy 5

WED - Jeremiah 9-11; 1 Timothy 6

THU - Jeremiah 12-14; 2 Timothy 1

FRI - Jeremiah 15-17; 2 Timothy 2

SAT - Jeremiah 18-19; 2 Timothy 3

SUN - Jeremiah 20-21; 2 Timothy 4