

SHE HATH DONE WHAT SHE COULD

MARK 14:1-9

Text:

Introduction:

There is a beautiful story here, a story so important that it is found in three of the Gospels.

A story that Jesus said would be told and remembered throughout history.

Note:

1. THE CONSECRATION

John 12:3

³Then took Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped his feet with her hair: and the house was filled with the odour of the ointment.

A. Reverence

Anointed the feet of Jesus with the ointment

Then wiped his feet with her hair

B. Reward

This act of consecration resulted filling the house with the odor of the ointment.

The results of spending time with and giving our best to the Saviour will be a sweet smelling savor that will be a blessing to most people.

2. THE CRITICISM

John 12:4-6

⁴Then saith one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's *son*, which should betray him, ⁵Why was not this ointment sold for three hundred pence, and given to the poor? ⁶This he said, not that he cared for the poor; but because he was a thief, and had the bag, and bare what was put therein.

A. Response – Why

There will always be those who will ask why and question the motive and deeds of the devoted.

By the way this attitude is contagious, be careful who it is you spend time with and listen to.

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⁵For it might have been sold for more than three hundred pence, and have been given to the poor. And **they** murmured against her.

Not just Judas but “They” He influenced others to be critical.

B. Recommendation – Sold and given to the poor

Often those who are asking questions only want to make recommendations without doing anything themselves.

C. Revelation – Not that he cared for the poor

3. THE CONDEMNATION

John 12:7

⁷ Then said Jesus, Let her alone: against the day of my burying hath she kept this.

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⁶ And Jesus said, Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work on me. ⁷ For ye have the poor with you always, and whensoever ye will ye may do them good: but me ye have not always.

A. Let her alone

4. THE COMMENDATION

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⁶ And Jesus said, Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work on me. ⁷ For ye have the poor with you always, and whensoever ye will ye may do them good: but me ye have not always. ⁸ She hath done what she could: she is come

aforehand to anoint my body to the burying. ⁹ Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, *this* also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her.

A. Recognized Her

She wrought a good work

She hath done what she could

B. Rewarded Her

Where ever the Gospel is preached throughout the whole world this that she has done will be spoken of.

Close:

Lessons

The very best place that we can be is at the feet of the Saviour.

The greatest thing that we can do is give the Saviour the best that we have.

The reward is not only enjoyed by the one who offers their best but also the odor is enjoyed by others.

Don't allow the critic to discourage you.

Be careful who you spend time with and listen to, it
easy to be influenced by the critical.

The Lord always rewards those who do what they can.