

JOHN PART XII
JOHN 12:1-50
OCTOBER 29-30, 2022

INTRODUCTION

- The last 10 chapters of John the last week of Jesus' life.
- What would do if you only had one week to live?
- Lazarus being raised from the dead is His last miracle and it set into motion His death.

I. PRIVATE PREPARATION (VS. 1-11)

- The book of Mark tells us Mary broke a container of expensive perfume.
- Her act of love and worship was public, spontaneous, sacrificial, lavish, personal, and unembarrassed.
- Luke 10:38-42, "Mary, who was seated at the Lord's feet, listening to His word. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted with all her preparations... "Martha, you are worried and bothered about so many things; ⁴²but only one thing is necessary, for Mary has chosen the good part, which shall not be taken away from her."
- Why did she pour perfume on Him? Mark 14:3-10
- For His burial.
- But how did she know He was going to die?
- Mary knew He was going to die, because she sat at Jesus' feet, she was a worshiper, a prayer warrior.
- Psalm 25:14 NLT, "Friendship with the Lord is reserved for those who fear Him. With them He shares the secrets of His covenant."

II. PUBLIC PREPARATION (VS. 12-19)

- Sudden and huge jump from inside to outside from one day to the next day.
- Palm Sunday, sort of like the Rose Parade.
- This parade has only one participant and He didn't ride on a horse, but on a donkey as a humble servant.

- Zechariah 9:9 NASB, "Behold your king is coming to you...humble and mounted on a donkey..."
- They shout hosanna in the highest = save us

III. POSITIONED FOR ETERNAL POSSIBILITY

- Vss. 20-22 - Some Greeks came to Jesus, He declares all that is broken will now begin to be made whole again.
- Vs. 23 - "The hour" what hour? The hour spoken of in Genesis 3:15 just after sin entered the world.
- The hour to begin to heal all creation that is broken and groaning for life - Romans 8:20-22
- The hour to heal broken human hearts.
- We are like seeds, small and insignificant, but filled with great possibility.
- Life can never be fulfilled unless we yield ourselves to God and permit Him to "plant us" if we are to bear fruit.

IV. BRINGING LIFE FROM DEATH

- Great dilemma: Life from death, healing from horror, death on a cross that is drawing men to Him.
- Vs. 31 - "The ruler of this world will be cast out."
- I John 3:8, Jesus said, "...The Son of God appeared for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil."
- The world is the web Satan uses to entangle people...the things in this life that trap us.

CLOSE

- Vs. 37-50 - The difficulty of walking in Jesus, He is never surprised when people reject Him.
- Vs. 37-43 - All the miracles and they still didn't believe.
- Isaiah 53:1- "Who has believed our message?"
- Romans 9:30-33, "...I lay in Zion a stone that causes people to stumble..."
- Vs. 43 - Ultimately we must decide who we will live for...men or God.