

INTRODUCING JESUS

Guide to Sharing Jesus Through the Gospel of John

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Chapter 12: The End is Coming...

A Costly Sacrifice (1-11)

1. 1-2 Why does Jesus return to the Jerusalem area even though He knows that His enemies there are seeking to kill Him? (1) _____
Why does He return to the house of Lazarus in particular? _____
2. 3-6 Why does Mary offer this costly sacrifice? (3) _____ What spiritual insight might her sacrifice indicate? _____
What is the significance of the ointment being the genuine article? (3) _____
Why does she pour it on His feet? (3) _____
Why does she wipe His feet with her hair - why not a towel? _____
What would 300 Denarii be in modern terms? (5, See Matthew 20:2) _____
How would you describe the differences between Mary and Judas? (6) _____

How do these differences illustrate the development of belief and unbelief? _____

3. 7-8 What principle does Jesus establish in v 8? _____
4. 9-11 How would you characterize a mind-set that wants to kill someone because he has been miraculously raised from the dead? (10) _____
5. **Think:** How could Christ's Apostle Judas, one who witnessed the miracles of Jesus, degenerate into a thief and a betrayer? _____
6. **Personal:** How can you avoid the same fate? _____

Behold Your King! (12-19)

1. 12-15 Why is Jesus riding on a donkey rather than a horse? (14) _____
What is the significance of what the crowd is shouting? (13) _____
2. 16 Why are the disciples bewildered? _____
3. 17-19 What two different multitudes do you see in v 17-18? _____
What situation does Jesus (an outlaw) create by entering Jerusalem before a crowd like this? _____
How does v 19 relate to 11:48 and 3:16? _____
4. **Think:** Jesus presents Himself to the Jews, as what kind of King? _____
5. **Personal:** What kind of leader are you most inclined to follow? _____

We Would See Jesus (20-36)

1. 20-22 How does the mention of the Greeks fit in with v 19, and 3:16, and 10:16? _____
2. 23-26 What "hour" has come? (23) _____
What does Jesus mean by being "glorified?" (23) _____
Why would being crucified be glorious? _____
What does Jesus mean in v 24-25? _____
3. 27-30 Why is Jesus so troubled? (27) _____
Why does God speak at this time? (28) _____
Why is there a division of opinion about the nature of the voice? (29) _____
How is the voice for the sake of the hearers? (30) _____
4. 31-33 Who is the ruler of this world? (31) _____ How will he be cast out? _____
How can Jesus draw all people to Himself by being lifted up? (32) _____

5. 34-36 Why do the multitude ask the identity of the Son of Man - isn't it obvious that it's Jesus?
(34) _____
What does Jesus summarize in v 35-36? _____
6. **Think:** Briefly summarize the teaching of v 20-36. _____
7. **Personal:** Do you consider yourself to be walking in light or in darkness at this time?

The Appeal of Jesus (37-50)

1. 37-43 How do the quotations from Isaiah summarize the theme of the Gospel of John? (38-41)

- What three reasons for unbelief are given in v 37, 38, and 39-41? _____
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- How does the attitude of the rulers (v 42-43) relate to what Jesus said in v 25?

- Why is it better to please God than to please men? (43) _____
2. 44-46 How does belief in God relate to belief in Christ? _____
- According to these verses, who is God's appointed representative? _____
- Why does Jesus keep talking about light and darkness? (46) _____
3. 47-50 How will Jesus' word judge us in the last day? (48) _____
- What great blessing does God want to bestow upon mankind? (50) _____
4. **Think:** What is the greatest blessing that mankind is capable of receiving? _____
5. **Personal:** Do you want to receive God's gift of eternal life? _____