

## Matthew #12– “Jesus’ Last Days”

Memory Verse - Hand out Scriptures to read (Matthew 26) \*

**Matthew 26:31** (NIV) *This very night you will all fall away on account of me ...* ”

**Matthew 25 - The Parable of the Ten Virgins, The Parable of the Talents, Parable of sheep and goats.**

### A Beautiful Work

**Matthew 26:6–13** (NKJV) *And when Jesus was in Bethany at the house of Simon the leper, <sup>7</sup> a woman came to Him having an alabaster flask of very costly fragrant oil, and she poured it on His head as He sat at the table.*

#### Head or Feet?

**Luke 7:36–38** (NKJV) *Then one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He went to the Pharisee’s house, and sat down to eat. <sup>37</sup> And behold, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee’s house, brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil, <sup>38</sup> and stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and she began to wash His feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil.*

**1\*John 12:3** (NKJV) *Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil.*

“At great personal sacrifice she had purchased an alabaster box of “ointment of spikenard, very costly,” with which to anoint His body. But now many were declaring that He was about to be crowned king. Her grief was turned to joy, and she was eager to be first in honoring her Lord. Breaking her box of ointment, she poured its contents upon the head and feet of Jesus; then, as she knelt weeping, moistening them with her tears, she wiped His feet with her long, flowing hair.” DA 558

**Matthew 26:8** *But when His disciples saw it, they were indignant, saying, “Why this waste? <sup>9</sup> For this fragrant oil might have been sold for much and given to the poor.” <sup>10</sup> But when Jesus was aware of it, He said to them, “Why do you trouble the woman? For she has done a good work for Me.*

*<sup>11</sup> For you have the poor with you always, but Me you do not have always.*

*<sup>12</sup> For in pouring this fragrant oil on My body, she did it for My burial.*

*<sup>13</sup> Assuredly, I say to you, wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be told as a memorial to her. ”*

**John 12:4–6** (NKJV) *But one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon’s son, who would betray Him, said, “Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three*

*hundred denarii and given to the poor?” This he said, not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it.*

**2\*Matthew 26:14–16** (NKJV) *Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests <sup>15</sup> and said, “What are you willing to give me if I deliver Him to you?” And they counted out to him thirty pieces of silver. <sup>16</sup> So from that time he sought opportunity to betray Him.*

**Generosity, Gratitude, and Greed**

### The New Covenant

**Matthew 26:17–19** (NKJV) *Now on the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying to Him, “Where do You want us to prepare for You to eat the Passover?” <sup>18</sup> And He said, “Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, ‘The Teacher says, “My time is at hand; I will keep the Passover at your house with My disciples.” ’ ” <sup>19</sup> So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them; and they prepared the Passover.*

**Mark 14:13–15** *And He sent out two of His disciples and said to them, “Go into the city, and a man will meet you carrying a pitcher of water; follow him. <sup>14</sup> Wherever he goes in, say to the master of the house, ‘The Teacher says, “Where is the guest room in which I may eat the Passover with My disciples?” ’ ” <sup>15</sup> Then he will show you a large upper room, furnished and prepared; there make ready for us.”*

**3\*Acts 12:12** (NKJV) *So, when he had considered this, he came to the house of Mary, the mother of John whose surname was Mark, where many were gathered together praying.*

**Matthew 26:26–29** (NKJV) <sup>26</sup> *And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, “Take, eat; this is My body.” <sup>27</sup> Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you. <sup>28</sup> For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. <sup>29</sup> But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father’s kingdom.”*

**Gethsemane (an oil-press; his spirit was pressed)**

**4\*Matthew 26:30** (NKJV) *And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.*

A small "olive Orchard" with a garden, across the brook Kedron, at the foot of Olivet, doubtless with figs and pomegranate.

### He Prays At The Gate by the walls of Jerusalem.

**John 18:1** When Jesus had spoken these words, He went out with His disciples over the Brook Kidron, where there was a garden, which He and His disciples entered.

### He passed over the blood = Israel Red Sea

It was now about midnight, under a full Passover moon.

Warren Wiersbe, "When King David left Jerusalem and fled from his son Absalom. Both David and Jesus were throne-less kings, accompanied by their closest friends and rejected by their own people. The name "Kidron" means "murky, dark," and "Gethsemane" means "oil press." Surely these names are significant."

Jesus was crashed in an olive press that the oil of the Spirit might flow.

**Luke 22:39** And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives; and his disciples also followed him.

**G Forces-** At 5 Gs, a driver experiences a force equal to five times his weight. For instance, during a 5-G turn, there are 60 to 70 pounds of force pulling his head to the side. A 200-pound fighter pilot pulling 9 g's weighs a whopping 1,800 pounds. "Every single piece of your body weighs nine times what it used to weigh," says Air Force Reserves Lt. Col. Christian P. Ledet. "It's hard to raise your arms, hard to raise your chin up, you can't lift your foot off the floor. It's an overwhelming pressing and pulling sensation. There's not a single part of your body that isn't affected by the weight." When the body sustains high g's for more than a couple seconds, blood rushes from the upper body to the lower. The lungs get compressed, making it difficult to breath. Beyond 4 g's, the heart can no longer generate enough pressure to move blood to the brain. Vision begins to fail. "Sometimes there is sort of a gray haze; some people might see stars," Morgan says. "Or you might have tunnel vision: Black starts on the peripheral and moves toward the center you can only see a small part of light." At this point, gravity-induced loss of consciousness, or GLOC, is not far behind.

### Judas Sells His Soul

**Luke 22:3–6** (NKJV) Then Satan entered Judas, surnamed Iscariot, who was numbered among the twelve. <sup>4</sup> So he went his way and conferred with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray Him to them. <sup>5</sup> And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. <sup>6</sup> So he promised and sought opportunity to betray Him to them in the absence of the multitude.

**5\* John 13:30** (NKJV) Having received the piece of bread, he then went out immediately. And it was night.

**Matthew 26:47–49** (NKJV) <sup>47</sup> And while He was still speaking, behold, Judas, one of the twelve, with a great multitude with swords and clubs, came from the chief priests and elders of the people.

<sup>48</sup> Now His betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "Whomever I kiss, He is the One; seize Him." <sup>49</sup> Immediately he went up to Jesus and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed Him. **Mary kissed His feet.**

### Peter's Denial

**Matthew 26:69–75** (NKJV) Now Peter sat outside in the courtyard. And a servant girl came to him, saying, "You also were with Jesus of Galilee." <sup>70</sup> But he denied it before them all, saying, "I do not know what you are saying." <sup>71</sup> And when he had gone out to the gateway, another girl saw him and said to those who were there, "This fellow also was with Jesus of Nazareth." <sup>72</sup> But again he denied with an oath, "I do not know the Man!" <sup>73</sup> And a little later those who stood by came up and said to Peter, "Surely you also are one of them, for your speech betrays you." <sup>74</sup> Then he began to curse and swear, saying, "I do not know the Man!" Immediately a rooster crowed. <sup>75</sup> And Peter remembered the word of Jesus who had said to him, "**Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times.**" So he went out and wept bitterly.

### Steven W. From: Colorado

**Question 1:** The lesson author says that Jesus had free will. Does this mean that He could have sinned? Or possibly more importantly, could He have returned to the Father and avoided the cross? How would either of these choices affect us?

We would be hopelessly lost. The prophecy could not fail.

### Daniel H. From: Arkansas

**Question: 2** The cup that Jesus asked to be passed from him (Matthew 26:39)... What was in that cup?

### The Cup of Suffering

#### Doctors would give awful tasting concoctions to patients

**Matthew 20:22, 23** But Jesus answered and said, **Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able. And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father.**