

Sermon Discussion Guide

Come and See: Week 1

Icebreaker Question

- What is the most extravagant gift you have ever received or given?

Prayer

Take a few moments at the beginning and end of your group time to pray for each other and for your discussion in God's Word.

Read

John 12:1-8

Main Ideas

This week, we began our new Come and See series by examining Mary's act of worship in anointing Jesus' feet with perfume. The story serves as a contrast between Mary and Judas, who, because of his misunderstanding of who Jesus is, cannot fathom anyone being worthy of such an expensive gift. Jesus makes it clear that extravagant worship is the only proper response to the extravagant love of God.

Discussion Questions

1. In this story, we see a clear contrast between Mary and Judas.
 - a. What does Mary get right about Jesus that Judas does not?
 - b. What prompted Mary to worship Jesus in this way?
2. Can you relate at all to Judas in this story, who missed out on an opportunity to worship because it didn't seem practical or strategic?
3. Has following Jesus come at a cost for you? Has it been worth it?
4. What would you say to someone who reads v. 8 and thinks that Jesus is indifferent or even heartless to those in need?
5. As you think about your life, what would an extravagant act of worship look like?
 - a. Giving your time or resources? Stepping out in obedience to do something new?
 - b. Is there something that you are holding back from God?