

TODAY'S READING:

John 12:1-8

MARY THEREFORE TOOK A POUND OF EXPENSIVE OINTMENT MADE FROM PURE NARD, AND ANOINTED THE FEET OF JESUS AND WIPE HIS FEET WITH HER HAIR. THE HOUSE WAS FILLED WITH THE FRAGRANCE OF THE PERFUME.

- JOHN 12:3

Much of life is made up of maintaining the 'socially acceptable' norms of culture and there is nothing wrong with that. Jesus said we are in this world, but not of it. So what does Jesus expect from his followers?

Looking at this scene during the last days of Jesus, it seems simple to focus on the betrayal of Judas, the foreshadowing of Jesus' resurrection like that of Lazarus, and of course, the beautiful act of Mary anointing the feet of Jesus. But what if we looked less at what Mary did, but instead, why she did it?

Mary was guaranteed ridicule for what she did, but her faith stood out. Her faith in Jesus compelled her to serve him with everything earthly she had (expensive ointment).

Let's live serving with the faith Mary had in who Jesus said he is – our Saviour!

- Pastor Dan Jeyaveeran

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