

Wednesday Devotional

One of the days leading up to the cross, Jesus was anointed by a woman with very expensive perfume. You can read about it in Matthew 26:6-13.

In this bit of history we see the providential work of God. I believe God suggested to this woman that she gain such perfume and use it to anoint Jesus with it. If it was just a good deed she thought up herself it could have occurred at any time. But Jesus comments that it happened at that time as preparation for his burial. It was NOT a fortunate coincidence. It was God making preparations to meet a need.

I experienced something of the same yesterday. I needed to go down to the church building. I needed some files on my computer as well as some paper work from a filing cabinet. When I go down I also walk the building looking for break-ins and leaks.

While I was there, a woman (a stranger to me) called on the phone. She needed spiritual counsel for a problem living situation and I listened to her for over an hour. I shared some insights from the Bible and prayed for her on the phone. Just before hanging up she shared that she had been praying for someone to talk to. I told her God answered her prayer because I was not normally at the church building these days. But I was there the day and time that she called. This was a great encouragement to her (and me) of God's love for her.

God is watching over his people in these hard times. Be assured that God is with you today, working in and behind the scenes of your life to meet your needs.

Thank you, Lord, for your watchcare over us. Help us to take comfort from that knowledge today.
In Jesus' name, amen.