

# WHAT IS JESUS WORTH TO YOU?

Mark 14:3-11

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What's the most expensive thing you own? If the Lord wanted you to give it over to Him would you be reluctant? Does Jesus mean more to you than anything? Mary Magdalene's sacrifice is described in four ways:

## **1. HER SACRIFICE WAS COSTLY – v. 3**

This precious jar of ointment was a cosmetic used by women of the night to beautify themselves. Now she dedicates it to the love of her Savior.

Three-hundred pence was a whole year's salary. *2 Samuel 24:24*. When we talk of giving up or offering something to God, He desires something that's going to cost us. Because He knows it's going to come from the heart.

## **2. HER SACRIFICE WAS CRITICIZED – vs. 4-5**

Whenever you sell out for God, or give Him your best, there will always be those who will stand in the shadows to criticize your love and devotion. *Mark 8:35*

## **3. HER SACRIFICE WAS COMMENDED – vs. 6-8**

*a. COMMAND - Leave her alone!* – God defends those who are serving Him. *Psalms 105:13-15*

*b. QUESTION - Why do you trouble her?* - Jesus understood that the disciples' motives were bad. *Luke 11:34-35; Titus 1:15*

*c. STATEMENT - She has done a good work for Me* - this was between her and God. Whenever we out of love and sacrifice offer ourselves to God He accepts it and will bless and show us favor before our critics *2 Samuel 6:13-23*

## **4. HER SACRIFICE WAS COMMEMORATIVE – v. 9**

As a result of her selfless deed she would have a testimony that will be remembered whenever the Gospel is preached. Her story is found in 3 of the 4 Gospels. God wanted what she did to be remembered for all time.

What will people remember about you when your life is over? Only what you do for Christ will last.