

## **Word of Life...on the eve of death Part 1: John 12 - Glory**

Intro: the controversial matter of assigning honour and glory

John 12 - Jesus and the path to glory

### **1. A private party (1-11)**

Mary:           extravagant

                  Witnessing

                  criticised

Judas:           stewardship and criticism masking rejection

Lazarus:        in danger because of Jesus's ministry

### **2. Public Acclamation (12-19)**

Jesus glorified in song - crowds welcome him with Psalm 118

Jesus corrects theology with a donkey – the humble king, understood afterwards through the lens of the cross

### **3. Jesus's personal words (20-36)**

How will Jesus's death achieve glory for God's name?

It will:         Produce many saved lives

                  Leave an example for followers

                  Cast down Satan

                  Draw all people to him

Jesus – troubled but determined to bring God glory through the cross

God – Glorified by Jesus's sacrificial death and in turn glorifies Jesus

You and I – will bring glory to God and be honoured by him if we honour and serve Jesus

### **4. John's perceptive reflection (37-43)**

In order to see Jesus's glory in the cross we need God to open blind eyes

In order to not reject Jesus's glory we must love the praise of God more than we love the praise of men