JESUS ANOINTED AT BETHANY

John 12:1-11 Key

Verse: 12:3

1. How is this event connected with the raising of Lazarus? What did Mary do? Why–what were her motives? What does the extravagance of her action show?

2. Why did Judas object to what Mary had done? Why do his words sound good to many people? According to the author, what were his real motives?

3. What interpretation did Jesus give to her action? What did he teach? Why is it necessary to love Jesus first, before trying to help the poor–or anyone else?

4. How did Mary’s act of love mirror Jesus’ passion? Why had a large crowd gathered? How did this affect the chief priests?