Home Group Notes Week of October 17, 2021 John 12:1-11



ABOUT HOME GROUPS

At Trinity we pursue spiritual growth and life-change in community. We offer multiple options of small groups that meet throughout the week to do life together. You can find out more about Home Groups on our website at <u>www.trinityonline.org</u>.

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

In our passage for this week, we see another passionate response to Jesus from Mary of Bethany. Our focus this week will be on our response.

Read John 12:1-8. (This takes place the day before Jesus 'triumphal entry' to Jerusalem.)

What was the occasion in this passage? Who was present? How was it being celebrated?

What do we learn about Mary from other passages?

- Luke 10:38-42
- John 11:32

The focus in this passage is on Mary and her response to Jesus. Describe what she does.

For most of us, it is difficult to slow down and reflect, to meditate on, and treasure the magnificent Jesus. What had Mary and others seen that would prompt such a passionate love for Jesus? Reflect through the first eleven chapters and record some significant things about Jesus that beckon us to adore and worship Him?

How would you describe Mary's relationship and response to Jesus?

How might you respond if you were invited to a supper with Jesus today?

What was the response of Judas? Why? How is this directly opposite of Mary?

Read John 12:9-11. What was the response of the large crowd? Why?

What was the response of the chief priests (religious authorities)? Why?

LET'S ADORE HIM TOGETHER

Some have described Mary's response as 'adoring Jesus.' What calls you to adore Him? How does that happen today since we don't have Jesus physically present?

Can we adore Him together right now?

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

This week's passage has a profound contrast of how people respond to Jesus. Why is that?

How does personal greed / self-focus keep us from knowing or worshiping God? (See John 12:6; James 4:1-4)

PRAY TOGETHER

- Pray for your global partners
- Pray for the Grandparents Summit at Trinity this week
- Pray for the people in your world who are without Jesus in their life