

SERMON SERIES: MARKAN SANDWICHES

THE STORY OF TWO TREASURES

Mark 14:1-11

INTRODUCTION:

In this message, we learn that Mary pours out a fortune to worship the Savior; we also learn that Judas sells out the Savior to gain a fortune. Which will you be to the Savior, Mary or Judas?

- “She hath done what she could: she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying (Mark 14:8).

In this Markan Sandwich Sermon, we will meditate on three aspects of The Story of Two Treasures:

- I. **THE PLOT TO KILL JESUS** (vv. 1-2) – The Top Slice
 - A. The Approaching Deadline (v. 1a; Exod 12;)
 - B. The Secret Conspirators (v. 1b)
 - C. The Fear of the People (v. 2)
- II. **THE OUTPOURING OF LOVE FOR JESUS** (vv. 3-9) – The Meat/Filling
 - A. The Extravagant Offering (v. 3; John 12:3)
 - B. The Indignant Criticism (vv. 4-5)
 - C. The Divine Vindication (vv. 6-9)
- III. **THE PLAN TO BETRAY JESUS** (vv. 10-11) – The Bottom Slice
 - A. The Traitor (v. 10a)
 - B. The Transaction (v. 10b)
 - C. The Reaction (v. 11a)
 - D. The Inversion (v. 11b)
 - E. Key Bible Verses that document each step of Judas’ actions
(Matt 26:14-15; 48-49; 27:3-4, 5; Acts 1:18; John 17:12)

CONCLUSION:

- A. Mary broke an expensive flask of perfume for Jesus, Judas broke his faith with Jesus for pocket change. Christ was worth everything to Mary and worth nothing to Judas – There is no middle ground – There are only two seats at the table of this text – Every single one of us is sitting in one of them – Which seat are you sitting in – Mary or Judas?
- B. “You may be baptized in water, but if you are not washed in the Blood of Christ, you are a baptized sinner and a baptized sinner is a lost sinner.” – Charles Spurgeon
 - In the final analysis: an unsaved person goes into the water a dry sinner and comes out a wet sinner.
- C. Romans Road (Rom 3:10, 23; 5:8; 10:9, 13)

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“...the word of our God shall stand for ever” (Isa 40:8).