A CRISIS OF VALUES

ALL IN John 12:1-8 Daniel Cassels March 17, 2024

1. WHAT WOULD YOU _____?

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany where Lazarus was, the one Jesus had raised from the dead. ² So they gave a dinner for him there; Martha was serving them, and Lazarus was one of those reclining at the table with him. ³ Then Mary took a pound of perfume, pure and expensive nard, anointed Jesus's feet, and wiped his feet with her hair. So the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. John 12:1–3

You rejoice in this, even though now for a short time, if necessary, you suffer grief in various trials ⁷ so that the proven character of your faith—more valuable than gold which, though perishable, is refined by fire—may result in praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 1:6–7

Therefore, brothers and sisters, in view of the mercies of God, I urge you to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God; this is your true worship. Romans 12:1

For you know that you were redeemed from your empty way of life inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of an unblemished and spotless lamb. 1 Peter 1:18–19

2. WHAT'S YOUR _____?

⁴ Then one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot (who was about to betray him), said, ⁵ "Why wasn't this perfume sold for three hundred denarii, and given to the poor?" ⁶ He didn't say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief. He was in charge of the money-bag and would steal part of what was put in it. John 12:4–6

You know when I sit down and when I stand up; you understand my thoughts from far away. Psalm 139:2

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may be repaid for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil. 2 Corinthians 5:10

3. IS THE POINT

⁷ Jesus answered, "Leave her alone; she has kept it for the day of my burial. ⁸ For you always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me." John 12:7–8

They took Jesus's body and wrapped it in linen cloths with the fragrant spices, according to the burial custom of the Jews.
 There was a garden in the place where he was crucified. A new tomb was in the garden; no one had yet been placed in it.
 They placed Jesus there because of the Jewish day of preparation and since the tomb was nearby. John 19:40–42

15 "But you," he asked them, "who do you say that I am?"
16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." Matthew 16:15–16

⁹ If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ One believes with the heart, resulting in righteousness, and one confesses with the mouth, resulting in salvation. Romans 10:9–10