

Acts 2:12 And they all continued in amazement and great perplexity, saying to one another,

# "What Does This Mean?"

## The Anointing - The Coming Crisis

Read Mark 14:3-9



**Basic Ideas** from "The Coming Crisis," Mark 14:3-9

The Holy Spirit is calling to us from this passage to consider three ideas.

1. The Holy Spirit desires for us to know He alone and only is worthy of any and all acts of devotion.
2. The Holy Spirit desires for us to choose Him above our own selfish concerns.
3. The Holy Spirit desires for us to feel the joy of living for Him without inhibition.



**Basic Questions** from, "The Coming Crisis," Mark 14:3-9

1. What precedes and follows the anointing?
2. Who is doing the anointing?
3. Why is this act so "severe"?
4. In whose house does this take place?
5. Why did she anoint Jesus in this manner?
6. How costly was her gift?
7. What kind of back story do you believe is present with Simon the leper?
8. Why would Mary be so intent and selfless in her costly act?
9. What drove her to such an "extreme" expression?
10. Do you think the disciples were "getting it"?
11. Why in the midst of all of this are we to have hope?
12. What is Mary's act contrasted with?
13. What do we need to be on guard against?



The **Basic Application** from, "The Coming Crisis," Mark 14:3-9

1. During the next 40 days, how might you reach out to those who are considered socially unacceptable? Where might you serve them? How might you in your life group serve in the community over the next 40 days?
2. During the next 40 days what might you do differently as an expression of your devotion to the Lord? What gift might you bring to Him during this period? Perhaps you do not give any financial gift to the Lord or perhaps you do not serve Him in any tangible way. Maybe over the next 40 days you might start giving or perhaps start serving on Sunday mornings or Thursday nights?
3. During the next 40 days I want to encourage all of us to be more intentional in our focus on the Lord as we approach Passion Week and Resurrection Sunday.

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