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A 21 DAY BIBLE READING PLAN
PREPARING HEARTS FOR EASTER

DAY 12:

Jesus Anointed at Bethany

John 12:1-11



After Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, he visited him in the city he lived, Bethany.

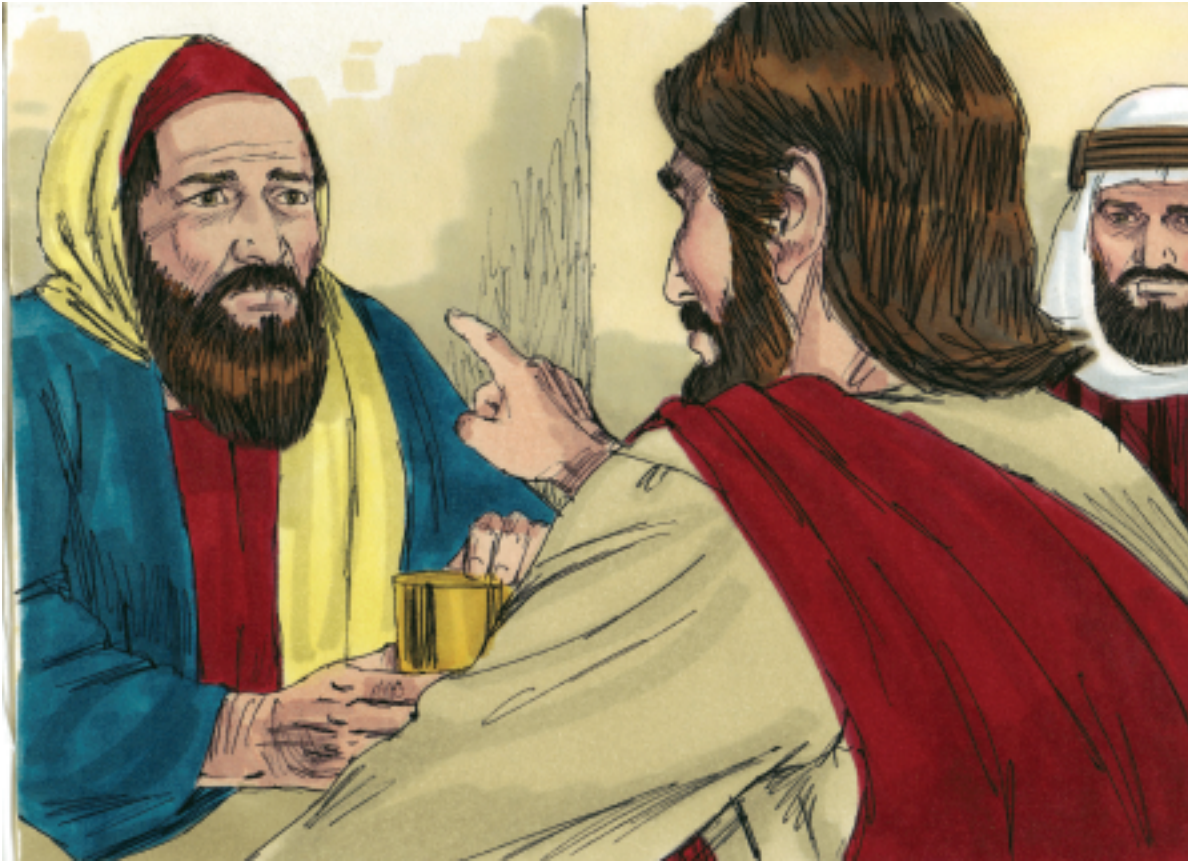
Lazarus gave a big party for Jesus. Lazarus's sister Martha served the food, and Lazarus sat at the table with him.

While they were eating together, Lazarus's sister Mary came to where Jesus was.

She took a jar expensive perfume and poured it on Jesus's feet. Then, she wiped his feet with her hair.

Everyone in the whole house could smell the the beautiful fragrance of the perfume.





But one of the disciples, Judas Iscariot, did not like it. (This is the Judas who will later betray Jesus).

Judas said, “What a waste! She could have sold the expensive perfume and given the money to the poor!”

But Judas didn’t really care about the poor. He just cared about money.

“Leave her alone,” Jesus replied. “Mary was saving this perfume for the day that I am buried, but she decided to give it to me now. There will be lots of chances to give money to poor people, but you will not always have me with you.”

Do you think Mary was right to use her perfume to wash Jesus’s feet?

Why do you think Mary loved Jesus so much?

