



Sermon Excerpts:

“Unrestrained Worship: Remix”

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John 12:2-8 *“A dinner was prepared in Jesus’ honor. Martha served, and Lazarus who had been raised from the dead was among those who ate with him. Then Mary took a twelve-ounce jar of expensive perfume made from essence of nard, and she anointed Jesus’ feet with it, wiping his feet with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance. But Judas Iscariot, the disciple who would soon betray him, said, “That perfume was worth a year’s wages. It should have been sold and the money given to the poor.” Not that he cared for the poor—he was a thief, and since he oversaw the disciples’ money, he often stole some for himself. Jesus replied, “Leave her alone. She did this in preparation for my burial. You will always have the poor among you, but you will not always have me.”*

One is prone to commit the error of becoming so filled with admiration for Mary's beautiful deed as to forget that what she did reflected her emotions about the impact that Jesus had on her life that she became extravagant. It was beautiful that it came from a spontaneous response to the promptings of reflections...

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Psalms 116:12 *“What can I give back to GOD for the blessings he’s poured out on me?”*

“What can I give back to the LORD for all the good things he has done for me?”

We render similar honor to Jesus when we practice faithful service wherever God has placed us in life. Faithful, honest, diligent service done as unto the Lord can be a gift to God...

When was the last time you did something extra-vagant for the glory of God? God give me the impulse, insight, or inspiration to do something extra for grace and generosity in my life and let me crown it with a call to action...