

“Love Poured Out”
Mark 14:1-26
11/17/24
Message 36

Introduction

- Title Of The Message: “Love Poured Out”
- **Review – Last Few Weeks - Mark 13 –**
 - **Known as the OLIVET DISCOURSE**
 - Also found in Matthew 24 & Luke 21
 - **Week One - “Take Heed, Watch & Pray Pt. 1”**
 - **The Situation vs. 1-4**
 - The Disciples are impressed with the Temple
 - Jesus says Not one stone will be left upon another
 - Which took place in AD 70 with Rome destroying the Temple
 - **The Signs vs. 5-23**
 - We Broke the Signs up into 2 Sections
 - **1st Pre-Trouble vs. 3-13**
 - Take heed that no one deceives you v. 5-6
 - Wars and rumors of wars: v. 7-8
 - Earthquakes in various places... Famines v. 8
 - Persecution vv. 9-13
 - **2nd The Tribulation Period vs. 14-23**

- Spoken Of In Daniel v. 14b
- The Abomination of Desolation v. 14a&c
- Jesus warns of what to do v. 14d
- Let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes vv. 15-18
- Coming after the abomination of desolation: great tribulation vv. 19-23

○ **Last Week - "Near – At The Doors!"**

- **The Nature Of His Return vv. 24-27**
 - Sun, Moon & Stars Darken
 - Jesus Comes in GREAT POWER AND GLORY
- **The Nearness Of His Return vv. 28-31**
 - Lessons from the Fig Tree and All Trees
- **The Necessity To BE READY vv. 32-37**
 - Be READY

Mark 13:33 (NKJV)

33 *Take heed, watch and pray; for you do not know when the time is.*

- So Prophecy SHOULD Have
 - A Purifying Effect in our lives
 - Give us a Sense of Urgency
 - Makes us bold in speaking to the lost

- It helps us keep a light touch on the things of this world
- Make sure we're NOT ASLEEP in the LIGHT

• **Now This Morning 4 Powerful Truths on Loved Poured Out**

- The Plot To Kill Jesus vv. 1-2
- Love Poured Out vv. 3-9
- The Problem With Judas vv. 10-11
- The Passover vv. 12-26

The Plot To Kill Jesus vv. 1-2

• **First: Context v. 1a**

Mark 14:1 (NKJV)

1 After two days it was the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread. And the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take Him by trickery and put Him to death.

- **1st After 2 Days / Understand Timeline**
 - Mark is going out of Chronological Order here
 - Verses 1-2
 - Will take place After the Triumphal Entry
 - Most likely after the events we have just look at
 - Verses 3-9
 - The events in Bethany actually took place a few days earlier
 - Most likely on Saturday before Jesus' triumphal entry (John 12)

• **Second: The Celebrations v. 1b**

Mark 14:1 (NKJV)

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And the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take Him by
trickery and put Him to death.

○ **1st Two Feast Celebrated Together - Passover / Unleavened Bread**

- The Feast of Passover and Unleavened Bread were a package deal.
- The Passover was the first day of the feast
 - The 14th of Nisan.
- The Feast of Unleavened Bread was the following 7 days after it.
 - They are celebrated in the same period of time and together

○ **2nd Passover**

- Israel is to remember how God had delivered them from slavery in Egypt.
 - On the night of the first Passover
 - Each family took a lamb, killed it, and spread its blood over their home's doorposts.
 - The Angel of Death would "Passover" their home if it was covered in the blood of a lamb.
- Jesus is OUR Passover LAMB
 - When the Lamb's blood is covering the door of our heart
 - God will "pass over" our sins.

- **3rd Feast of Unleavened Bread**

- Eat only unleavened bread every year during Passover
 - Remembrance of the Exodus from Egyptian bondage.
 - How they left Egypt hastily – in a hurry
 - They did not have time for the bread to rise,
 - Made without leaven, also known as yeast.
- PLEASE Remember
 - In the Bible, leaven is almost always symbolic of sin

- **Third: The Crime Plotted v. 1c-2**

Mark 14:1–2 (NKJV)

1 After two days it was the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread. And the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take Him by trickery and put Him to death.
2 But they said, “Not during the feast, lest there be an uproar of the people.”

- **1st The Chief Priests and Scribes (Elders from other passages)**

- This is Referring to the Ruling Body called the SANHEDRIN
 - In a way - It was a PUPPET court of Rome itself
 - Made up
 - Primarily Sadducees
 - But Also Pharisees
 - There was a lot of corruption...
 - Especially with the High Priest

- Turned Religion into a business
- Plotting to get rid of Jesus all along...
 - By Trickery
 - They were hoping to do so after the Passover...
 - But God's will was different
- **2nd What was hindering them? - FEAR**

- **Lukes Tells us**

Luke 22:2 (NKJV)

2 And the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might kill Him, for they feared the people.

- They were **AFRAID** of the **People**
 - BUT SADLY they had **no FEAR of God...**
 - Evidenced from the multiple times Jesus rebuked them
- **The Misplaced FEAR**
 - These men were willing to do something horrible because THEY DID NOT FEAR GOD
 - The **ONLY** thing stopping them was their fear of **MAN**
 - They were afraid of making the crowds angry with them
- **3rd Lesson: Fear is a Motivator**
 - **1st Good FEAR**

- Fear of the right things can keep you out of trouble.
 - If you're afraid of getting burned, you won't put your hand on a hot stove.
- If you have a FEAR of God, you will make wiser choices.

Proverbs 9:10 (NKJV)

10 *"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.*

▪ **2nd Bad FEAR**

- Fear of the wrong things causes TROUBLE

Proverbs 29:25 (NKJV)

25 *The fear of man brings a snare, But whoever trusts in the LORD shall be safe.*

- Examples of FEAR
 - Stops you from Following Jesus
 - Afraid of what others might think
 - Stops you from doing God's Will
 - What will man think
 - Being BOLD in Your faith
 - Afraid of failure
 - Don't feel qualified

Love Poured Out vv. 3-9

• **First: Mary Worships Jesus v. 3**

- **1st A Woman Came v. 3**

Mark 14:3 (NKJV)

3 And being in Bethany at the house of Simon the leper, as He sat at the table, a woman came *having an alabaster flask of very costly oil of spikenard. Then she broke the flask and poured it on His head.*

▪ **Bethany –**

- A village at the Mount of Olives,
 - About two miles from Jerusalem
- This was the town where
 - Lazarus, Martha, and Mary lived.
 - This was the town that knew about the raising of Lazarus from the dead.
- Jesus has been staying in Bethany each evening
 - Commuting during the day to Jerusalem

▪ **Simon –**

- John's account of this event can give you the impression that Jesus was at the house of Lazarus, Martha, and Mary.
- But if you read it clearly, that is not what it is saying
 - They are at Simon the leper house

▪ **A Woman – (John 12)**

- John tells us that this was Mary, the sister of Martha and Lazarus (John 12)
 - Mary is found in 2 other places in the gospel story.
 - (Luke 10:38-42)

- (John 11)
- **2nd Having an alabaster flask of very costly oil v. 3b**

Mark 14:3 (NKJV)

3 *And being in Bethany at the house of Simon the leper, as He sat at the table, a woman came **having an alabaster flask of very costly oil of spikenard.** Then she broke the flask and poured it on His head.*

▪ **Alabaster box – Greek: Alabastron –**

- Alabaster is
 - Whitish, translucent, fine-grained gypsum,
 - Imported from Egypt
 - Often carved into vases or bottles for perfume.
 - Had a long thin neck that would be broken to pour out the contents.

▪ **Spikenard – Greek; Nardos –**

- A fragrant oil made from the root of a rare plant.

▪ **Very Precious / Costly –**

- John tells us that Mary had a “pound” of the perfume (John 12:3).
 - About a pint of perfume
- Precious; very costly; excellent, of surpassing value
 - Worth 300 Denari –
 - One Denarius was a day’s wage given to common laborers

- 300 was equivalent to a year's wages

- **3rd She broke the flask and poured it on His head v. 3c**

Mark 14:3 (NKJV)

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- **Context**

- Custom
 - When a guest arrived for a meal, it was customary to anoint the guest's head with a dab of oil.
- BUT She went over the top
 - Mary went much farther than the customary greeting.
 - She poured the entire contents of an alabaster flask of very costly oil on the head of Jesus.

- **Poured it on his head –**

- John records that Mary not only poured it on Jesus' head, but also His feet (John 12:3)

John 12:3 (NKJV)

3 Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil.

- **Second: The Reaction To What The Woman Did vv. 4-9**

- **1st Some who were indignant: v. 4-5**

Mark 14:4–5 (NKJV)

4 But there were some who were indignant among themselves, and said, "Why was this fragrant oil wasted?"

5 *For it might have been sold for more than three hundred denarii and given to the poor.” And they criticized her sharply.*

- **John tells us that it was specifically**

- Judas who was indignant about the expense.
- But he wasn't alone.
 - There were apparently others that complained.
 - Of Course Judas wanted to get his hands on the Money
- Please NOTE the Red Hearing
 - Given to THE Poor
 - In an attempt to cover his sinful thinking – he made a cover story
 - Nothing is changed

- **2nd Application**

- **Mary's Example is LOVE POURED OUT**

- An Act of incredible worship for Jesus
- Completely devoted
- An Extravagant gift to Jesus
- Sold Out – Money was no issue
- An Act of Complete Worship

- **What is Worship**

- More than songs...

- It a lifestyle
- It make sure We are giving your Whole Life and Heart to Jesus - Everyday
- **BUT Note - Not Everyone will Understand you Worship and Devotion to GOD –**
 - Get saved start attending church
 - Start to grow, now you can't get enough
 - Need more Bibles Studies, pPrayer & Fellowship
 - Starts by not wanting to miss a Sunday –
 - Friend are like come on... let go do... Nope I need to be with God and His people today
 - Now whatever you do –
 - Don't go to church more than one day a week... they will think you have lost it
 - Illustration

2 Samuel 6:20–23 (NKJV)

20 Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, “How glorious was the king of Israel today, uncovering himself today in the eyes of the maids of his servants, as one of the base fellows shamelessly uncovers himself!”

21 So David said to Michal, “It was before the LORD, who chose me instead of your father and all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of the LORD, over Israel. Therefore I will play music before the LORD.

22 And I will be even more undignified than this, and will be humble in my own sight. But as for the maidservants of whom you have spoken, by them I will be held in honor.”

23 Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no children to the day of her death.

- The people around us may not always understand our need to be so in love with Jesus

○ **3rd Let her alone. Why do you trouble her? vv. 6-7**

Mark 14:6–7 (NKJV)

6 But Jesus said, *“Let her alone. Why do you trouble her? She has done a good work for Me.*

7 *For you have the poor with you always, and whenever you wish you may do them good; but Me you do not have always.*

▪ **Let her alone... She Has Done Good**

- They thought that her “worship” was wasteful.
 - Jesus thought it was beautiful
- Application
 - Make sure we don’t have a critical spirit as we see other worship
 - Be Careful not to judge motives – if they have not been told
 - We can become quite critical of one another in the church.

▪ **The Poor**

- Social Gospel is out of order
- Worship Jesus First Good Works follow

○ **4th She has Done What She Could v. 8**

Mark 14:8 (NKJV)

8 *She has done what she could. She has come beforehand to anoint My body for burial.*

▪ **She has done what she could**

- This is All that is Required of US
- **She has come beforehand to anoint My body for burial**
 - Mary's act was all the more precious because it was planned
 - She has come beforehand
 - This wasn't a spontaneous, seized by the moment kind of action.
 - It was carefully planned beforehand.
 - Mary Gets an "A"
 - Mary listened and believed the teaching of Jesus in a way that the other disciples simply didn't.
 - She Understood His death when Jesus taught it
 - When He said that He would be delivered into the hands of wicked men and mocked and scourged and crucified she believed it.
- **5th Wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world v. 9**

Mark 14:9 (NKJV)

9 *Assuredly, I say to you, wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be told as a memorial to her."*

- **As a memorial to her:**
 - The disciples longed for fame and influence
 - But this woman found an enduring memorial.
 - She found it NOT by longing for a position
 - But simply by loving Jesus and serving Him.

- **6th Application - Worship's Impact**

- **1st The Lasting Impact.**

- Mary's worship didn't just affect that one dinner
- It has had an impact for two thousand years as we continue to talk about it.
- Remember This – Your WORSHIP of Jesus will have a lasting Impact in the lives of those around you

- **2nd Worship's Cost**

- True worship doesn't come cheap.
- Mary's worship touched Jesus, and it cost a lot.
- When David was considering a piece of land to build an altar, at first he was offered the land for free. But he replied

2 Samuel 24:24 (NKJV)

24 Then the king said to Araunah, "No, but I will surely buy it from you for a price; nor will I offer burnt offerings to the LORD my God with that which costs me nothing." So David bought the threshing floor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver.

- You might think...
 - I'm fresh out of Alabaster flasks!
 - Well, we can all give Him the best of everything
 - Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
 - Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

- Take my hands, and let them move At the impulse of Thy love.
- Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee.
- Take my voice, and let me sing, Always, only, for my King.
- Take my lips, and let them be Filled with messages from Thee.
- Take my silver and my gold; Not a mite would I withhold.
- Take my intellect, and use Every power as Thou shalt choose.
- Take my will, and make it Thine; It shall be no longer mine.
- Take my heart, it is Thine own; It shall be Thy royal throne.
- Take my love; my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure-store.
- Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee.

The Problem With Judas vv. 10-11

• First: The Betrayal vv. 10-11

- **1st Then Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve vv. 10-11**

Mark 14:10–11 (NKJV)

10 *Then Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went to the chief priests to betray Him to them.*

11 *And when they heard it, they were glad, and promised to give him money. So he sought how he might conveniently betray Him.*

- **Many Speculate on the Motive of Judas – TO be CLEAR We DON'T KNOW**

- **1st He Was Not a Robot –**

- He had a choice
- Just because this was prophesied –
 - Does not mean Judas did not have a choice –
 - He did we all do

- **2nd Was He Motivated by Power?**

- He was only Following Jesus because he thought Jesus was going to establish His earthly Kingdom and he wanted a powerful position
- When he saw that Jesus Kingdom would not be earthly, he tried to motivate Jesus to take

- **3rd Was He Motivated by Greed?**

- Matthew tells us the chief priests gave Judas 30 pieces of silver.
 - The Old Testament price of a slave
- Where did the 30 pieces of silver come from?
 - During Passover, the priests carried small bags of money tied to their belts in order to purchase lambs to be used as sacrifices
 - Therefore, it is highly likely that the chief priests used money for the purchase of sacrificial lambs to "purchase" Jesus, the ultimate sacrificial Lamb
- The prophecy of Zechariah

- Amazing, remarkable prophecy some 500 years before Judas Iscariot betrayed the Lord, which led to His crucifixion.

Zechariah 11:12–13 (NKJV)

12 Then I said to them, “If it is agreeable to you, give me my wages; and if not, refrain.” So they weighed out for my wages thirty pieces of silver.

13 And the LORD said to me, “Throw it to the potter”—that princely price they set on me. So I took the thirty pieces of silver and threw them into the house of the LORD for the potter.

- **4th Was He Motivated & Energized by Satan? – YES**

- Yes once Judas made the decision to betray Christ

Luke 22:3 (NKJV)

3 Then Satan entered Judas, surnamed Iscariot, who was numbered among the twelve.

- A Battle that goes back to the Garden
- PLEASE NOTE
 - This Does NOT take away his guilt
 - He is responsible for his actions

- **5th An Enigma**

- Judas
 - Walked with Jesus
 - Did Ministry with Jesus
 - But yet betrayed Him
 - Now Remember
 - The Others NEVER Suspected Judas

- I Don't Believe he was ever Really apart of Jesus
 - Yes was around but never really connected
 - Please note these scriptures

John 6:64 (NKJV)

64 *But there are some of you who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were who did not believe, and who would betray Him.*

John 6:70–71 (NKJV)

70 *Jesus answered them, “Did I not choose you, the twelve, and one of you is a devil?”*

71 *He spoke of Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon, for it was he who would betray Him, being one of the twelve.*

John 17:12 (NKJV)

12 *While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled.*

- This is Possible – A Warning to Make sure we are Really In Christ

Matthew 7:22–23 (NKJV)

22 *Many will say to Me in that day, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’*

23 *And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!’*

The Passover vv. 12-26

• First: Preparation for Passover vv. 12-16

- **1st A Man... Carrying a pitcher vv. 12-13**

Mark 14:12–13 (NKJV)

12 *Now on the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they killed the Passover lamb, His disciples said to Him, “Where do You want us to go and prepare, that You may eat the Passover?”*

13 And He sent out two of His disciples and said to them, *“Go into the city, and a man will meet you carrying a pitcher of water; follow him.*

- **1st Context**

- **The Passover Lamb**

- Was selected on the 10th Day of the month Nisan
 - Our March-April
 - Examined for blemishes
- Then slain on the 14th Day of the month (Ex. 12:3–6).
 - The lamb had to be slain in the temple precincts and the supper eaten within the Jerusalem city limits.
- **Jesus Came in on the 10th and was Died on the 14th**

- **Passover was / is important to the Jews**

- A man by the name of Sestius told Caesar that religion was very important to the Jews...
 - But Caesar didn't believe him
- So to prove his point,
 - Sestius took a census of how many lambs were killed at Passover
 - He came up with a total of 256,500 lambs that were slain for the Passover in one year
- It was required that a minimum of 10 people eat the Passover lamb
 - So its approximated that 2.6 million Jews had gathered into Jerusalem for the Passover

- The Lamb was the most important part of preparing for Passover
- **2nd Sent them Out to Prepare**
 - It's time go and make things ready
 - **Carrying Water was Women's Work in that day...**
 - So - It would have been unusual to see a man doing this
 - He would have stood out
 - **Follow him**
 - Okay
 - The importance of JUST OBEYING
- **3rd Application - Passover was to be celebrated by families**
 - **So, in celebrating Passover with His disciples**
 - Jesus looked at His disciples as His family
 - **I like that because at this point, these men weren't very spiritual**
 - Judas would betray Him
 - Peter would deny Him
 - Thomas would doubt Him
 - Yet Jesus treated them as family
 - And if He did that with them, He'll do it with us as well
- **2nd The Teacher says, "Where is the guest room" vv. 14-16**

Mark 14:14–16 (NKJV)

14 *Wherever he goes in, say to the master of the house, ‘The Teacher says, “Where is the guest room in which I may eat the Passover with My disciples?”’*

15 *Then he will show you a large upper room, furnished and prepared; there make ready for us.”*

16 *So His disciples went out, and came into the city, and found it just as He had said to them; and they prepared the Passover.*

▪ **Show Pics**

- Upper Room x 2
- Seated Around a low triclinium table on pillows or couches x 1

• **Second: Jesus PROVIDES Judas A Chance To Repent vv. 17-21**

○ **1st One of you who eats with Me will betray Me vv. 17-19**

Mark 14:17–19 (NKJV)

17 *In the evening He came with the twelve.*

18 *Now as they sat and ate, Jesus said, “Assuredly, I say to you, one of you who eats with Me will betray Me.”*

19 *And they began to be sorrowful, and to say to Him one by one, “Is it I?” And another said, “Is it I?”*

- Always read that as – They all thought – Could I do that!
- But in the Greek – It is something different

- Wuest; “The question “Is it I?” includes the Greek negative which expects a negative answer to the question. Each one, including Judas said, “It is not I, is it?”

- Not one of them suspected Judas!

○ **3rd It is one of the twelve, who dips with Me vv. 20-21**

Mark 14:20–21 (NKJV)

20 *He answered and said to them, “It is one of the twelve, who dips with Me in the dish.*

21 *The Son of Man indeed goes just as it is written of Him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been good for that man if he had never been born."*

▪ **Seating Order**

- Judas Would have been in the place of Honor

▪ **In saying who dips with Me,**

- Jesus did not single out Judas
 - All the disciples dipped with Him
- So this phrase identified the betrayer as a friend.
 - Show how serious this will be
- In Middle Eastern culture
 - Betraying a friend after eating a meal with him was and is regarded as the worst kind of treachery.

▪ **Woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed!**

- Judas is rightly regarded as one of the most notorious sinners of all time.

▪ **NOTE - Look at how Jesus loved Judas**

- He ate with him
- He kept Judas' sin a secret
- He offered to him a token of friendship
- He had Judas in the place of honor.

• **Third The Power Of The Last Supper vv. 22-26**

Mark 14:22–26 (NKJV)

22 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them and said, *“Take, eat; this is My body.”*

23 Then He took the cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them, and they all drank from it.

24 And He said to them, *“This is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many.”*

25 *Assuredly, I say to you, I will no longer drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.”*

26 And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

○ **1st Context**

▪ At this point in the narrative

- It appears that Judas had gone (John 13:23–30)
- Jesus was alone with the faithful 11 disciples (Luke 22:21).

▪ The Passover of the Old Covenant

- Will Now Be the Lord’s Supper of the New Covenant
- Creating a new memorial feast to remember God’s deliverance from sin.

○ **2nd Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it**

▪ **The bread would symbolize Christ’s body**

- Which He sacrificed for the salvation of men

▪ **This is My body:**

- Christians have debated for centuries about the true nature of the bread and the cup at this supper.
- Symbolic

- **3rd This is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many:**

- Without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins

Hebrews 9:22 (NKJV)

22 And according to the law almost all things are purified with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no remission.

1 Peter 1:19 (NKJV)

19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

- **4th Until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God:**

- Jesus has not yet celebrated a Passover in heaven.
- He still waits for all His people to be gathered to Him and then there will be a great supper – the marriage supper of the Lamb (Revelation 19:9).
- This is the fulfillment in the kingdom of God Jesus longed for.
- The Last Supper is now becoming a Lasting Supper...Communion

Closing

- Love Poured OUT
 - From Mary
 - From Jesus
 - From Us?