




Thank you



The background is a light blue wooden surface with various fruits and herbs scattered around. There are several orange slices, a whole orange, a kiwi slice, a lemon wedge, a whole lime, and a whole lemon. There are also some green herbs with small leaves.

SUMMER SERIES

MEALS WITH
JESUS

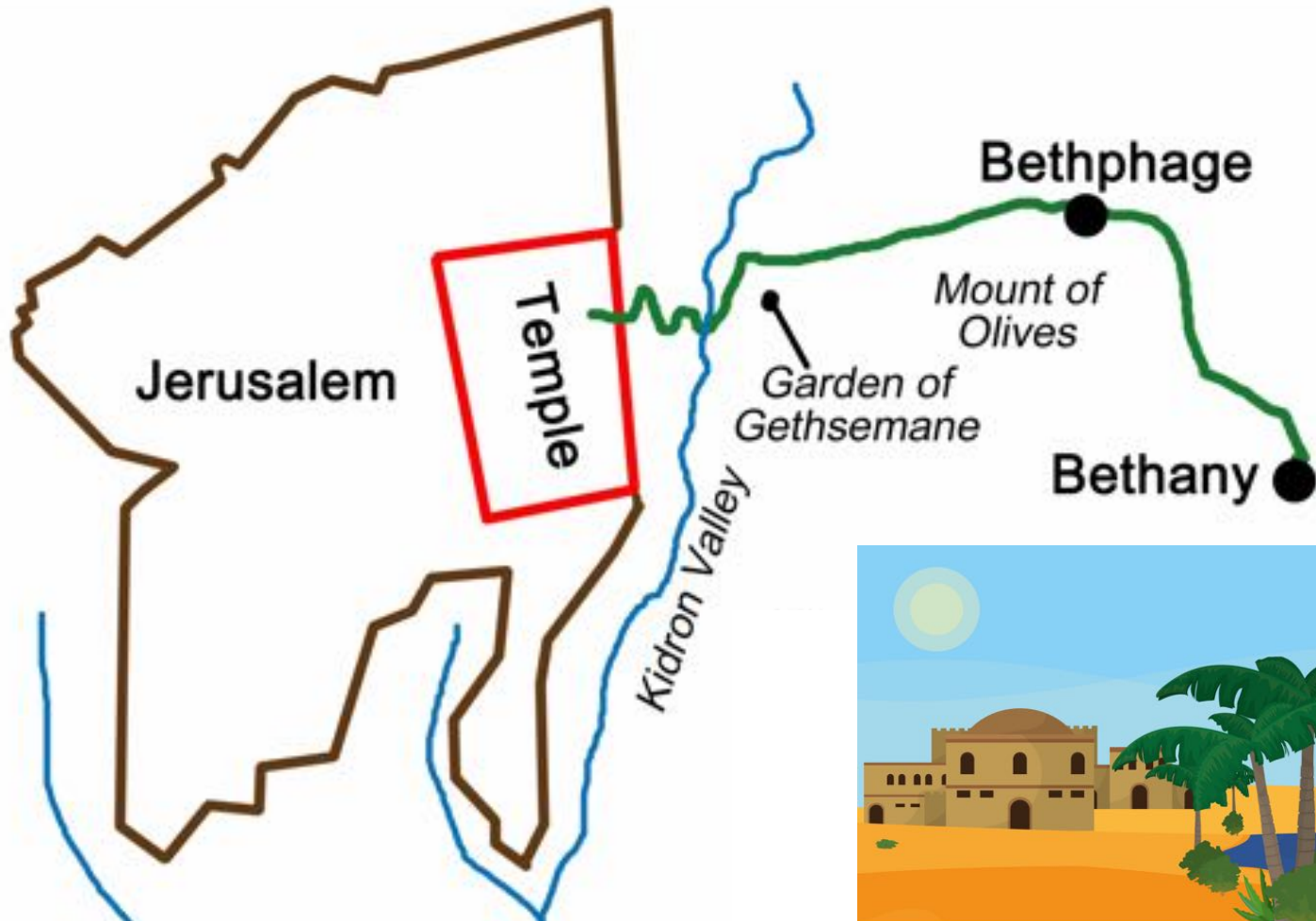




Peter (Mark)



Matthew



JOHN 11: 47 – 48, 53

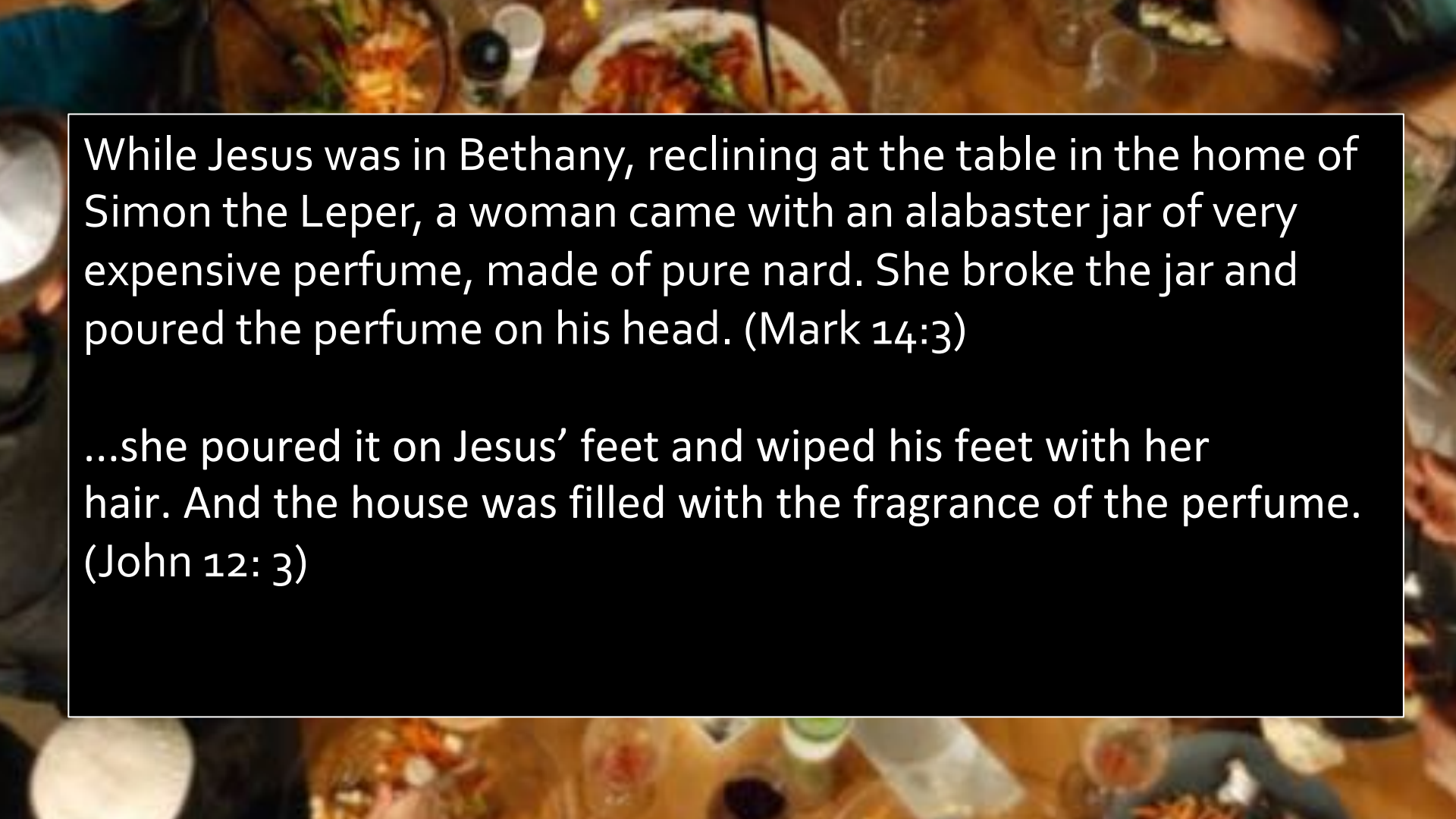
“Here is this man performing many signs.

If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and then the Romans will come and take away both our temple and our nation.”...

So from that day on they plotted to take his life.

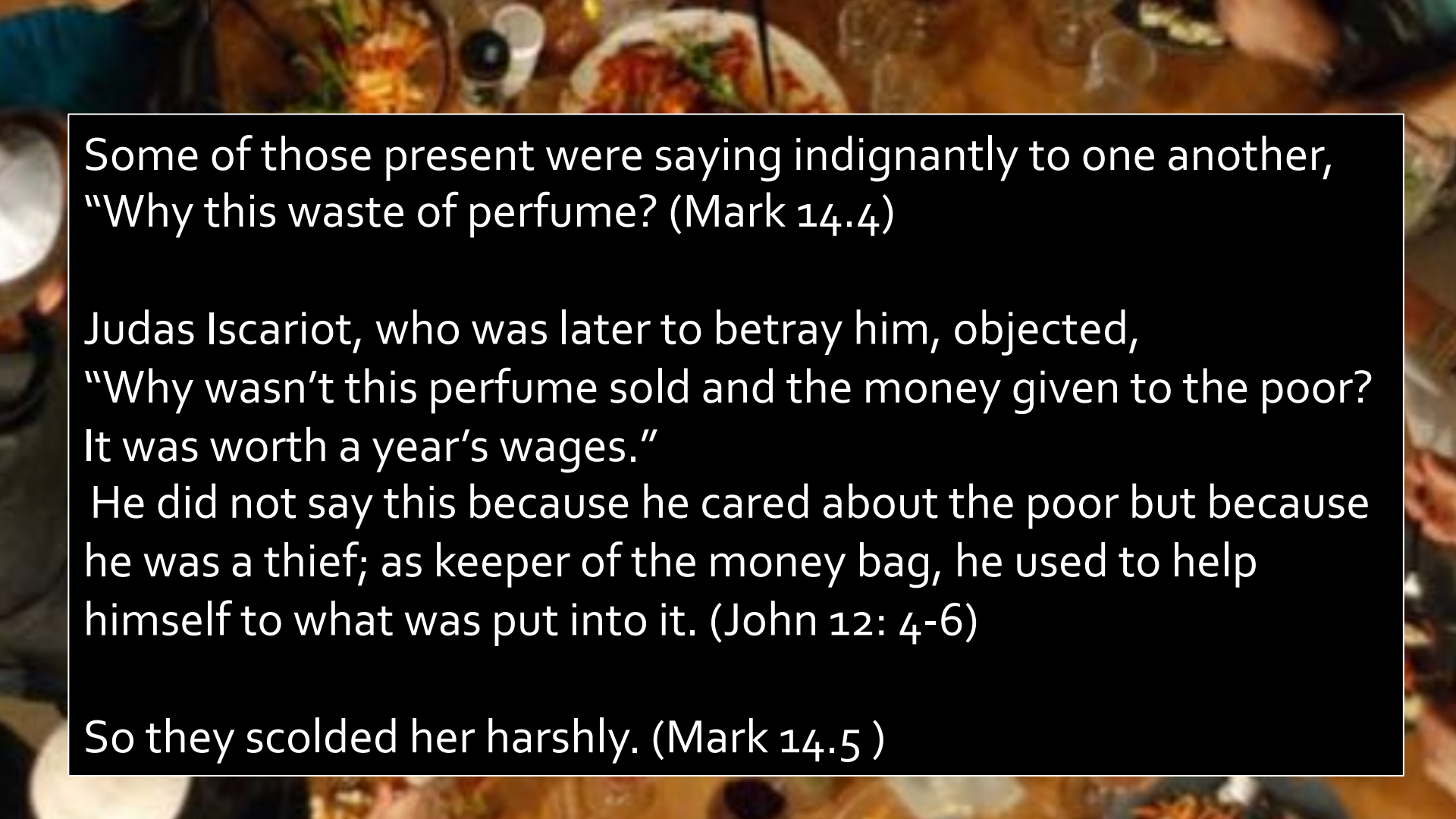






While Jesus was in Bethany, reclining at the table in the home of Simon the Leper, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head. (Mark 14:3)

...she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. (John 12: 3)



Some of those present were saying indignantly to one another,
“Why this waste of perfume? (Mark 14.4)

Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray him, objected,
“Why wasn’t this perfume sold and the money given to the poor?
It was worth a year’s wages.”

He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because
he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help
himself to what was put into it. (John 12: 4-6)

So they scolded her harshly. (Mark 14.5)



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questions



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doing!?






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A high-angle, slightly blurred photograph of a group of people sitting around a large, round wooden dining table. The table is set with various dishes, including bowls of food, plates with meat and vegetables, and several glasses. The lighting is warm and indoor. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image, enclosed in a white speech bubble with a black border.

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gospel is preached throughout
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What about
the disciples?





For we are all members of one body...
Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths,
but only what is helpful for building others up according to their
needs, that it may benefit those who listen.
And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God.
The Spirit is God's proof that you belong to him...



Mark 14: 6- 7

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You will always have the poor among you,
and you can help them whenever you want to.

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Deuteronomy 15: 10 - 11

Give generously to the poor, not grudgingly,
for the Lord your God will bless you in everything you do.

There will always be some in the land who are poor.
That is why I am commanding you to share freely with the
poor and with other Israelites in need.

Matt 25: 34- 40

“Then the King will say to those on his right,
‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the
kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world.
For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat,
I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink,
I was a stranger and you invited me in,
I needed clothes and you clothed me,
I was sick and you looked after me,
I was in prison and you came to visit me.’

“Then the righteous will answer him,
‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you,
or thirsty and give you something to drink?
When did we see you a stranger and invite you in,
or needing clothes and clothe you?
When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

“The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for
one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine,
you did for me.’





A background image showing several people in traditional Middle Eastern or North African clothing, including head coverings and patterned robes, in an indoor setting. The image is slightly blurred and serves as a backdrop for the text overlay.

Luke 15v7

I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents...

Luke 15v10

¹⁰ In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

A stylized graphic featuring a light blue shirt and a dark blue striped tie. The text "HAPPY Father's DAY" is centered over the tie. "HAPPY" and "DAY" are in a white serif font, while "Father's" is in a white script font.

HAPPY
Father's
DAY





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JAMES 1:17

**EVERY GOOD AND PERFECT GIFT
IS FROM ABOVE,
COMING DOWN FROM THE FATHER...**



SIMON



MARTHA



MARY



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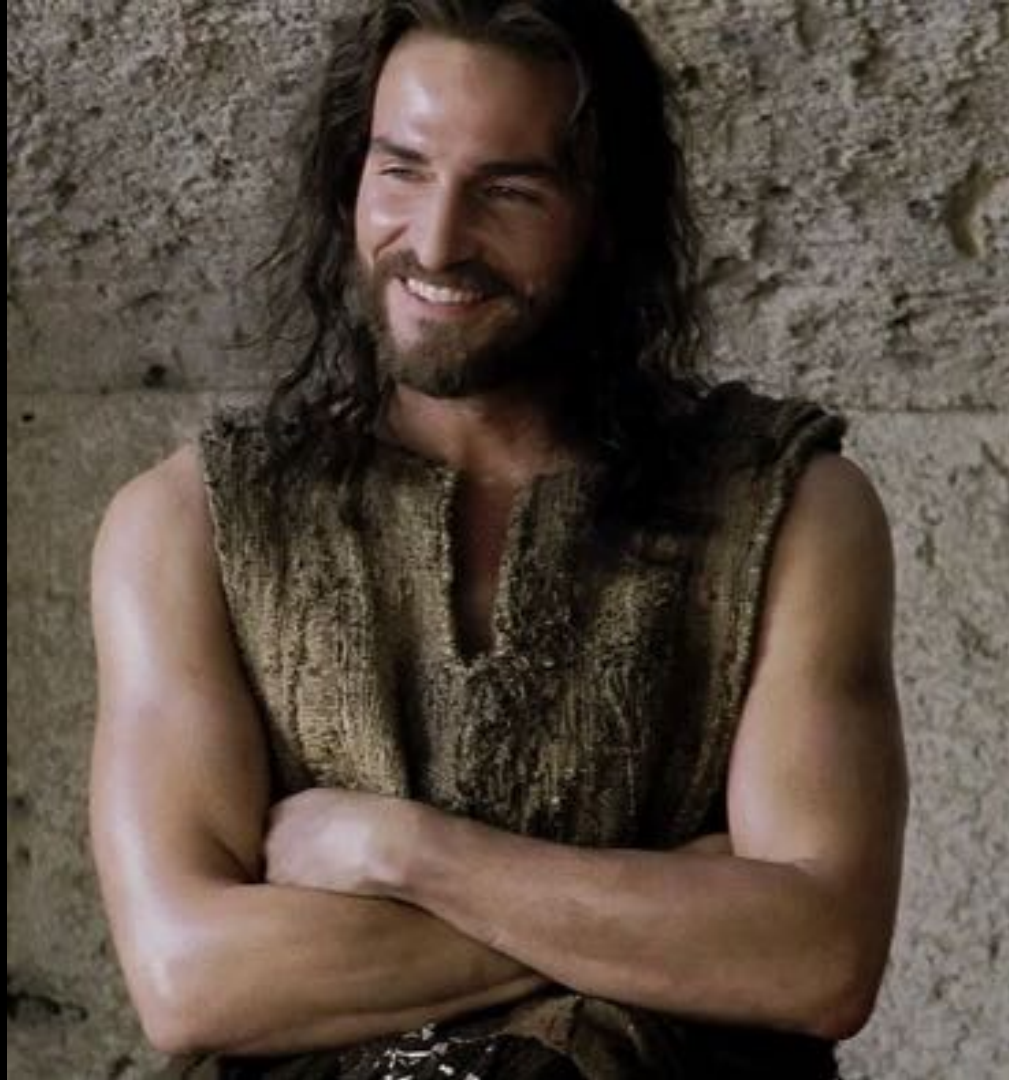
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**At that same time
Jesus was full
with the joy of the
Holy Spirit.**

Luke 10 v21



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Mark 14:3

She **broke** the jar
and **poured** the perfume on his head.



1 Corinthians 11:24
“This is my body,
broken for you’



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Matthew 26: 28

this is my blood,
which confirms the
covenant between
God and his people.
It is **poured out** as a
sacrifice to forgive
the sins of many.

**You mean to
tell me**

**I'm supposed to
sleep all night long?**

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name.

And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

Hebrews 13: 15 - 16

So, my dear brothers and sisters,
be strong and immovable.

Always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know
that nothing you do for the Lord is ever wasted.

1 Corinthians 15:58