

Wisdom Not Worry
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Mark 14:1-9

“She has done a beautiful thing to me” (6).

At this point Jesus had predicted His death and resurrection three times (Mark 7:31, 9:31, 10:33). On every occasion His disciples did not understand. What’s worse, they seemed focused on their own interests. How discouraging this must have been for Jesus. The men who knew more about Jesus and spent more time with Jesus didn’t understand Jesus! We can imagine His delight in the home of Simon the Leper on that Wednesday before His crucifixion. While reclining at a table, an unnamed woman broke her alabaster jar of spikenard perfume worth a year’s wages and poured it over Jesus’ head. What the disciples did not understand, she did. She believed when the disciples did not. Jesus said, “She has done a beautiful thing to me...She poured perfume on my body beforehand to prepare for my burial”(9). As it turns out, what is beautiful to Jesus is not how much we know *about* Him or even how much time we spend *with* Him but how we respond *to* Him. Believing, this lady “did what she could.” At great cost, she poured her affection upon the One who would give His life for her. It was beautiful! Jesus died for you. He poured His love into your heart (Romans 5:5). What beautiful thing can you do to Him? Here’s a hint, “Truly I tell you, whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine you have done for me” (Matt. 25:40).

With Love,
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