

Extravagant Worship

Series: Gospel of John (#23) John 12:1-11 Pastor Lyle Wahl August 27, 2023

Theme: Jesus' extravagant grace calls for extravagant worship.

Extravagant worship includes ...

1. Extravagant love and devotion. (1-3, 7-8; 3:16; 11:28-45; 14:15; Luke 7:47; 10:38-42)

- 2. Extravagant humility. (3; 2 Samuel 6:12-22; Philippians 2:1-11)
- 3. Extravagant thankfulness. (1-3; Psalm 136:1-26; Romans 1:21; 2 Corinthians 4:15; Colossians 2:6-7)
- 4. Extravagant giving. (3; 3:16; Exodus 36:5-7)

In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

Monday. Jesus' extravagant grace calls for extravagant worship. Extravagant—over the top, unrestrained, lavish. We see a picture of extravagant worship in John 12:1-11. Mary, Martha and Laqzarus worshiped Jesus out of deep love and devotion. Jesus' love and grace to you is extravagant—He loves you so much He died for you, forgave all your sins, leads and keeps you. Is your love for Him extravagant? Does it go beyond duty? Does it direct how you see people, your plans and actions? Does it drive you to worship Him, to give Him honor and praise?

Tuesday. Mary demonstrated extravagant humility in her worship of Jesus—she took the position of serving Him, of expressing her worship with out limits. Read Philippians 2:1-11 which tells you that Jesus humbled Himself for you. True worship does not push ourselves to the front, but Jesus.

Wednesday. Mary was deeply thankful to Jesus for all He had done for her and her family. Thankfulness that led to the party they put on for Him, thankfulness expressed in her worship. As you worship God privately and with others, make sure you express your deep, ongoing thankfulness to Him.

Thursday. May's worship included extravagant giving—anointing Jesus with perfume that was worth an entire year's wages. Jesus' extravagant grace calls for extravagant worship, including lavish giving of our plans, time and things to God. Worship God by living the words we sometimes sing, "All to Jesus I surrender," and "Let every breath, all that I am never cease to worship You."

Friday – Saturday. On Sunday we plan to look at 12:22-50. Read this passage in preparation for our time together.

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