

1st- 5th Grade Small Group Lesson

Session Title: Jesus Was Anointed

Bible Passage: Matthew 26:6-13; John 12:1-8

Main Point: Jesus said Mary anointed Him for burial.

Key Passage: Luke 4:18

Big Picture Question: Why do believers share the Lord's Supper? Believers share the Lord's Supper to remember Jesus' life and death and to proclaim Him until He returns.

Christ Connection: *Pouring the expensive oil on Jesus was not a waste, it was worship. By allowing Mary to anoint Him, Jesus showed that He is more valuable than anything. Jesus knew He would soon die for sinners, be buried, and rise from the dead on the third day.*



Don't be Deterred

Materials – spoons, paper, 2 cups

Take some paper and crumple it up in small balls. Place a pile of crumpled balls on both ends of the table. Put two chairs with a cup on each of them, several feet from the table. Divide the group into 2 teams. The first person in each line will place a crumpled ball on their spoon. They must walk with the ball to their cup without it falling on the floor. If it falls, they must take 3 steps back and try again.

After everyone have had some practice doing this, the players can try and distract the other team from their goal by making them laugh or otherwise causing them to drop the crumpled ball. Set a timer. The team with the most balls in their cup when time runs out wins.

Was it hard to keep the ball on the end of the spoon? Was it harder when we were trying to distract you? The disciples tried to discourage Mary from her act of worship, but she did it anyway. Nothing would keep her from worshipping Jesus with her greatest treasure. We are still talking about her act of worship today! Jesus said Mary anointed Him for burial.

Connect the Dots

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INSTRUCTIONS: Draw lines to connect the dots in numerical order.



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BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

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BIBLE STORY:

JESUS WAS ANOINTED

- Mary poured expensive oil on Jesus.
- Jesus' disciples thought her actions were wasteful.
- Jesus said Mary anointed Him for burial. Her actions were worship.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

- Why was it OK for Mary to use expensive oil to anoint Jesus?
- What was the problem with selling the oil to give money to the poor?
- How can we worship Jesus?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

- Make scented oil with your kids. Warm fragrant herbs and citrus zest in almond oil over low heat for 5 minutes. Transfer the mixture to a lidded jar and let sit for 24 hours. Strain out remaining particles.