

Discussion Starter

How do you define worship? Give examples of how you might worship Jesus? Why is Jesus deserving of our worship?

Worship - Five Observations: Person, Method, Object, Result, Legacy

- There is more than one Mary described in the gospels. Who was the Mary described in verse 3? Name two other women named Mary mentioned in scripture.
- What position relative to Jesus do we find Mary in these and other verses? Why do you think Mary didn't worship Jesus in a half-hearted way? How did she demonstrate this extravagant worship? Why was she at Jesus' feet?
- What impact did the anointing of Jesus have on people in the house? On Mary? What does the perfume and its scent symbolize?
- Pastor Huang used the term "Sacred Transfer". What do you think he meant by this?
- What do worship and prayer have in common?
- Read Mark 14:9 Why does Jesus emphasize Mary's worship?

Application of Extravagant Worship

- What are the eight applications mentioned by Pastor Huang?
- Read Palm 15:17. Why is brokenness a requirement for genuine worship? What is brokenness? Why does David describe a "broken spirit" as a sacrifice? Why is this important? How are humility and joy related?
- Why would you consider Mary's worship extravagant? What does King David say about extravagant worship (1 Chronicles 21:24)? What does God, through Malachi say about worship (Malachi 1:13-14)?
- How is worship transformational? How does your worship effect those around you (both believers and unbelievers)?
- How does the spreading of the fragrance of the nard symbolize transformation (See also 2 Corinthians 2:14-15)?
- Mary wiped Jesus' feet with her hair. How does worship glorify Jesus? What ancient eastern cultural norms made her behavior extraordinary? Are there modern cultural norms that might limit your expression of worship?
- Why does God value our worship? How do we know that God wants our worship (See Malachi 3:16)?