

Seeking Jesus – Missing Jesus

John 12:1-19; Luke 19:28-44

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1. On the Saturday before his crucifixion, Mary anointed Jesus with expensive perfume (John 12:1-8)
 - The event highlighted a stark contrast between Jesus' closest companions.
 - ✓ Mary's devotion prompted a sacrifice worth a year's wages
 - ✓ Judas' duplicity prompted a self-righteous comment about the poor.
 - Jesus' public rebuke of Judas may have pushed him over the edge.
2. The people and the religious leaders sought Jesus (John 12:9-11)
 - The people wanted to see the one who had raised Lazarus from the dead.
 - The religious leaders wanted to kill the one who raised Lazarus from the dead.
3. The Sunday before his crucifixion, Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey (John 12:12-19)
 - The people lauded Jesus as the promised King of Israel.
 - The Pharisees' frustration reached a boiling point.
4. Though both the people and the Pharisees sought Jesus, neither knew who he was (Luke 19:28-44)