

John 12

I. Jesus honored by his friends (1-11).

A. Back in Bethany.

1. Each of vss. 1-3 begin with “therefore.”
2. Lazarus at the table -- not a ghost.
3. Martha served.

B. Mary anointed Jesus's feet.

1. Very expensive perfume.
2. Wiped his feet with her hair (servant position).
3. Not the same as Mt. 26:6.
 - a. Home of Simon the Leper.
 - b. Two days before Passover.
 - c. Unnamed woman.
 - d. Perfume on his head.

C. Judas's indignation.

1. False piety.
2. Rebuked by Jesus.

D. The crowd.

1. To see Jesus.
2. To see Lazarus.

E. Frustration of the chief priests.

II. Jesus honored by the crowd (12-19).

A. Triumphal entry (cf. Ps. 118:25ff.).

1. Hosanna = Yahweh save us.
2. He who comes....
3. Palm leaves from Jericho.
4. Came out to greet him (like a king).
5. The donkey (Zech. 9:9).
 - a. Rejects their nationalistic cries.
 - b. Not a king, but a suffering servant.
6. The coming one.

B. Disciples only understood afterwards.

C. Frustration of the Pharisees.

III. Jesus honored by the Father (20-36).

- A. Greeks who converted.
 - 1. Came to Philip (a Greek name).
 - 2. "We would see Jesus."
 - a. Triggered the "hour" of Jesus glorification.
 - b. Gospel to the world, not just the Jews (cf. 32).
- B. The hour has come.
 - 1. Death brings life.
 - 2. Servants will be honored by the Father.
 - 3. Troubled heart.
- C. The voice of God -- honor the Son.
 - 1. Confusion of the crowd.
 - a. Lifted up = crucified.
 - b. The Messiah should reign forever.
 - 2. Walk in the light.
- D. Jesus hid himself from them again.

IV. Jesus honored by the prophets (37-50).

- A. Unbelief despite the miracles.
- B. Isaiah preached and they refused to believe.
 - 1. Isaiah 53:1.
 - 2. Isaiah 6:10.
- C. Yet, some believed (even in the Sanhedrin) but most secretly.
- D. Jesus the image of the Father.
- E. The Word of the Lord judges those who do not believe.
- F. Jesus only does what the Father says.