## Matthew 26:1-13 International Bible Lesson Study Guide New American Standard Bible

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study. Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

- 1. What does this verse say?
- 2. What does this verse mean to me?
- 3. Discuss your answers with the class.

(Matthew 26:1) When Jesus had finished all these words, He said to His disciples,

(Matthew 26:2) "You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of Man is to be handed over for crucifixion."

(Matthew 26:3) Then the chief priests and the elders of the people were gathered together in the court of the high priest, named Caiaphas;

(Matthew 26:4) and they plotted together to seize Jesus by stealth and kill Him.

(Matthew 26:5) But they were saying, "Not during the festival, otherwise a riot might occur among the people."

(Matthew 26:6) Now when Jesus was in Bethany, at the home of Simon the leper,

(Matthew 26:7) a woman came to Him with an alabaster vial of very costly perfume, and she poured it on His head as He reclined at the table.

(Matthew 26:8) But the disciples were indignant when they saw this, and said, "Why this waste?

(Matthew 26:9) "For this perfume might have been sold for a high price and the money given to the poor."

(Matthew 26:10) But Jesus, aware of this, said to them, "Why do you bother the woman? For she has done a good deed to Me.

(Matthew 26:11) "For you always have the poor with you; but you do not always have Me.

(Matthew 26:12) "For when she poured this perfume on My body, she did it to prepare Me for burial.

(Matthew 26:13) "Truly I say to you, wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be spoken of in memory of her."

Write out the verse or verses you have been assigned below:

## **Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study**

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?