



International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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John 12:1-11 Scripture Handout **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?
- Discuss your answers with the class.

(John 12:1) Jesus, therefore, six days before the Passover, came to Bethany where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead.

(John 12:2) So they made Him a supper there, and Martha was serving; but Lazarus was one of those reclining at the table with Him.

(John 12:3) Mary then took a pound of very costly perfume of pure nard, and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped His feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.

(John 12:4) But Judas Iscariot, one of His disciples, who was intending to betray Him, *said,

(John 12:5) “Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and given to poor people?”

(John 12:6) Now he said this, not because he was concerned about the poor, but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box, he used to pilfer what was put into it.

(John 12:7) Therefore Jesus said, “Let her alone, so that she may keep it for the day of My burial.

(John 12:8) “For you always have the poor with you, but you do not always have Me.”

(John 12:9) The large crowd of the Jews then learned that He was there; and they came, not for Jesus’ sake only, but that they might also see Lazarus, whom He raised from the dead.

(John 12:10) But the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death also;

(John 12:11) because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and were believing in Jesus.

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

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Personal Study

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