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Mk 6:34-44 - The Feeding of the Five Thousand.

34 When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

35* By now it was already late and his disciples approached him and said, “This is a deserted place and it is already very late.

36 Dismiss them so that they can go to the surrounding farms and villages and buy themselves something to eat.”

37 He said to them in reply, “Give them some food yourselves.” But they said to him, “Are we to buy two hundred days’ wages worth of food and give it to them to eat?”

38 He asked them, “How many loaves do you have? Go and see.” And when they had found out they said, “Five loaves and two fish.”

39 So he gave orders to have them sit down in groups on the green grass.

40* The people took their places in rows by hundreds and by fifties.

41 Then, taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to [his] disciples to set before the people; he also divided the two fish among them all.*

42 They all ate and were satisfied.

43 And they picked up twelve wicker baskets full of fragments and what was left of the fish.

44 Those who ate [of the loaves] were five thousand men.

Amos 8:11-13

11 See, days are coming—oracle of the Lord **GOD**— when I will send a famine upon the land: Not a hunger for bread, or a thirst for water, but for hearing the word of the LORD.

12 They shall stagger from sea to sea and wander from north to east In search of the word of the LORD, but they shall not find it.^f

13 On that day, beautiful young women and young men shall faint from thirst,

Mk 10:35-45 - Ambition of James and John.

35^d Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.”

36 He replied, “What do you wish [me] to do for you?”

37 They answered him, “Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left.”

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38^o Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?”

39They said to him, “We can.” Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized;

40but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

41When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John.

42^z Jesus summoned them and said to them,^p “You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt.

43But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant;

44whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all.

45For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Luke 22:42

42 saying, “Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me; still, not my will but yours be done.”^{b *} [

Luke 12:49-53 - Jesus: A Cause of Division.*

49 “I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!

50^z There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished!^u

51 Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth?^v No, I tell you, but rather division.^w

52 From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three;

53a father will be divided against his son and a son against his father, a mother against her daughter and a daughter against her mother, a mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law.”^x

Mk 14:3-9 - The Anointing at Bethany.*

3 When he was in Bethany reclining at table in the house of Simon the leper,^b a woman came with an alabaster jar of perfumed oil, costly genuine spikenard. She broke the alabaster jar and poured it on his head.

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4 There were some who were indignant. “Why has there been this waste of perfumed oil?

5 It could have been sold for more than three hundred days’ wages and the money given to the poor.” They were infuriated with her.

6 Jesus said, “Let her alone. Why do you make trouble for her? She has done a good thing for me.

7 The poor you will always have with you, and whenever you wish you can do good to them, but you will not always have me.

8 She has done what she could. She has anticipated anointing my body for burial.

9 Amen, I say to you, wherever the gospel is proclaimed to the whole world, what she has done will be told in memory of her.”

Song of Songs 4:12-16 - The Lover’s Garden

12 A garden enclosed, my sister, my bride, a garden enclosed, a fountain sealed!*

13 Your branches are a grove of pomegranates, with fruits of choicest yield: Henna with spikenard,

14 spikenard and saffron, Sweet cane and cinnamon, with all kinds of frankincense; Myrrh and aloes, with all the finest spices;*

15 A garden fountain, a well of living water, streams flowing from Lebanon.

16 Awake,* north wind! Come, south wind! Blow upon my garden that its perfumes may spread abroad. Let my lover come to his garden and eat its fruits of choicest yield.

John 12:1-11 - The Anointing at Bethany.^a

1* Six days before Passover Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead.^b

2 They gave a dinner for him there, and Martha served, while Lazarus was one of those reclining at table with him.^c

3 Mary took a liter of costly perfumed oil made from genuine aromatic nard and anointed the feet of Jesus* and dried them with her hair; the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil.^d

4 Then Judas the Iscariot, one [of] his disciples, and the one who would betray him, said,

5 “Why was this oil not sold for three hundred days’ wages* and given to the poor?”

6 He said this not because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief and held the money bag and used to steal the contributions.^e

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7 So Jesus said, “Leave her alone. Let her keep this for the day of my burial.”^z

8 You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.”^f

9 [The] large crowd of the Jews found out that he was there and came, not only because of Jesus, but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead.^g

10 And the chief priests plotted to kill Lazarus too,

11 because many of the Jews were turning away and believing in Jesus because of him.^h

Mark 14:12-26 - Preparations for the Passover.

12^d On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb,^x his disciples said to him, “Where do you want us to go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?”

13 He sent two of his disciples and said to them, “Go into the city and a man will meet you, carrying a jar of water.^z Follow him.

14 Wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, ‘The Teacher says, “Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?’”

15 Then he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready. Make the preparations for us there.”

16 The disciples then went off, entered the city, and found it just as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover.

The Betrayer.

17^e When it was evening, he came with the Twelve.

18^z And as they reclined at table and were eating, Jesus said, “Amen, I say to you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.”

19 They began to be distressed and to say to him, one by one, “Surely it is not I?”

20 He said to them, “One of the Twelve, the one who dips with me into the dish.

21 For the Son of Man indeed goes, as it is written of him,^z but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed. It would be better for that man if he had never been born.”

The Lord’s Supper.

22^z While they were eating,^f he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, “Take it; this is my body.”

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23 Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it.

24 He said to them, “This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed^z for many.

25 Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.”

26 Then, after singing a hymn,^z they went out to the Mount of Olives.^g

outline

1. **MISSION** – end of Mass: “Ite Missa Est” – Go, she is sent She = the Church
 - a. We are sent into the world to bring Christ into the world.
 - b. We become a living tabernacle.
 - i. You are now entering mission territory.
 - c. How to live a Eucharistic Life? Gospels show us.
 - i. Mk - lead up to & shed light on the Last Supper, Passion, Death, Resurrection.
2. **NEED for TRUTH** - Mk 6:34
 - a. PEOPLE – hungry for the word of God – the Good News – Revelation of who God is, Kingdom that has come in Jesus. Hungry for TRUTH.
 - i. Amos 8:11-13 Famine for hearing the Word of the Lord
 - b. APOSTLES – practical (not spiritual) needs – food for the people.
 - i. You feed them – SARCASTIC response: 200 days wages ?????
 1. I don’t have what it takes to serve others – meet their needs.
 - ii. What have you got? SECRET – give me what you have & let me do the rest.
 1. Come to me w/what little you have & let me fill you – & then give it away.
 - iii. Ex. Loretta – 14 yr old found Jesus – 100 children in her home.
3. **CUP & BAPTISM** - Mark 10:35
 - a. Sons of Thunder – James & John
 - i. J just prophesied his passion in great detail - for the 3rd time.
 - ii. FAVOR – We want the VIP seats. TACKLESS <?><?>
 1. Right & left hand – on cross, it is 2 criminals
 - b. REDIRECT – God has put this desire for GLORY in your heart, let’s redirect it
 - i. Drink same cup & be Baptized as I will – Jesus Passion
 - ii. Cup – OT the wrath of God, His just judgement on sin, and overflowing cup
 1. Jesus in Garden: Luke 22:42 “Let this cup pass from me, yet Your will...”
 2. Baptism – Luke 12:50 Jesus Passion

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- iii. SHARE Jesus’ CROSS by dying to ourselves: pride, self-reliance, letting go of attachments, self-preservation,
- iv. 2 SACRAMENTS of New Covenant: Baptism & Eucharist
 - 1. Eucharist – cup of suffering = cup of salvation
- c. Ex. “chopped up in a million pieces.” - *Thank you Lord, that I get to drink your cup.*
- 4. **GIVE YOUR ALL** - Mk 14:3-9
 - a. Nard – Fragrance of the Bride Song of Songs 4:14
 - i. 1 years wages. her dowry?
 - ii. Gives ALL to Jesus – Hospitality, honor
 - iii. John 12:3 – Mary, sister of Martha & Lazarus
 - iv. Kings of Israel – Crowned by anointing of perfumed oil
 - v. Priests ordained in Old Covenant (Messiah = anointed one)
 - b. Disciples complain – waste – Social Justice - poor
 - i. Love given to Jesus – deeply moved – Beautiful thing to me – prepared for burial
 - 1. PROPHECY – she has taken my body before hand to prepare it for burial.
 - 2. Jesus is risen before women can get to his body to anoint it for burial.
 - 3. She will be remembered as a model response.
 - ii. Last Supper (Mk 14:12-26) parallels w/ alabaster jar.

Response to Betrayal of Jesus	Breaks & pours out	Taking Jesus’ Body	Solemn Pronouncement	Memory
Mary	Woman – Nard	Prepare for burial	Told everywhere	Of her
Religious leaders, Judas, Peter	Jesus – bread & wine Eucharist	Take & eat	Not drink until Kingdom of God	Of Jesus

- 1. Jesus is God’s alabaster jar.
- 2. Broken and poured out for us and filling the world with His fragrance.

5. TAKE, EAT, THIS IS MY VERY BODY

- a. This is my very self, my life, my all.
 - i. Take it, receive Me, the Father’s love into your very body.
 - ii. My blood will purify you, cleanse you, free you from your addictions, bondages, attachments.
- b. Do this in memory of me.
 - i. Do your whole life – form your life after the pattern of what I am doing now.
- c. Be another Christ in the world – a little “anointed one”

Be His presence in a world that is so malnourished and in need of Him.