Journal Page

- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?



FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Why did Mary pour expensive oil on Jesus?
- Why did the disciples think Mary had done the wrong thing?
- How can we worship Jesus?



Jesus Was Anointed

Matthew 26:6-13; John 12:1-8

MAIN POINT: JESUS SAID MARY ANOINTED HIM FOR BURIAL.

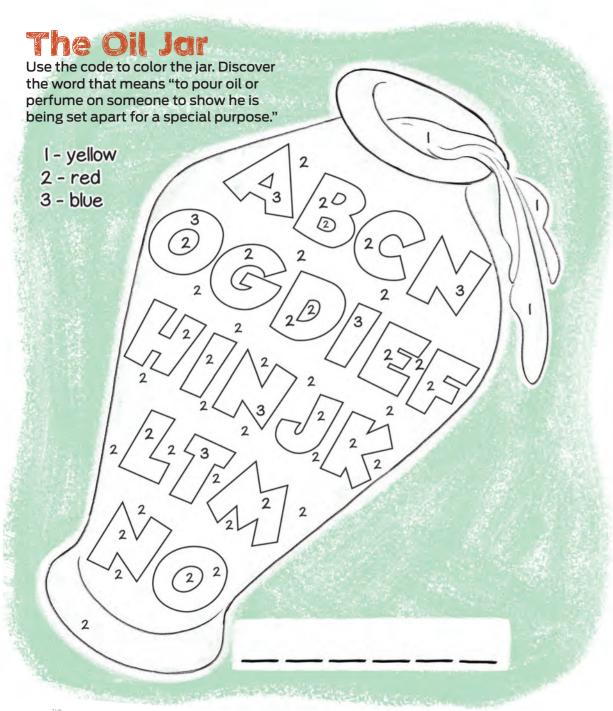
Jesus went to His friend Simon's house for a meal. Jesus was reclining at the table when Lazarus's sister Mary came to Him. Mary broke open the jar and poured the oil on Jesus' head and feet.

Jesus' disciples were very upset! They thought Mary had wasted the expensive oil. One of the disciples said, "She could have sold the oil for a lot of money, and then she could have given the money to the poor!"

They told Mary that she had done the wrong thing, but Jesus spoke up. "Leave her alone," He said. "She has done a very good thing for Me."

Then Jesus explained, "You will always have people around you who are poor, but you will not always have Me. Mary has poured oil on My body to get it ready for burial."

Christ Connection: Pouring the expensive oil on Jesus was not a waste, it was worship. By allowing Mary to anoint Him, Jesus showed that He is more valuable than anything. Jesus knew He would soon die for sinners, be buried, and rise from the dead on the third day.





Waste or Worship?

Circle how each situation could be used to worship God.



Jack earned some money mowing lawns in his neighborhood. Jack can worship God by ...

- a. ... spending all the money on his favorite candy.
- b. ... giving some money to his church's mission offering.



Jeanette loves to sing. She can worship $\operatorname{\mathsf{God}}\nolimits$ by ...

- a. ... volunteering to sing in the church choir.
- b. ... telling all her friends how awesome she is.

Bonus: How can you worship God this week?

Connect the Dots

INSTRUCTIONS: Draw lines to connect the dots in numerical order.





KEY PASSAGE: Luke 4:18

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

 Why do believers share the Lord's Supper? Believers share the Lord's Supper to remember Jesus' life and death and to proclaim Him until He returns.

BIBLE STORY: JESUS WAS ANOINTED

- Mary poured expensive oil on Iesus.
- Jesus' disciples thought her actions were wasteful.
- Jesus said Mary anointed Him for burial. Her actions were worship.

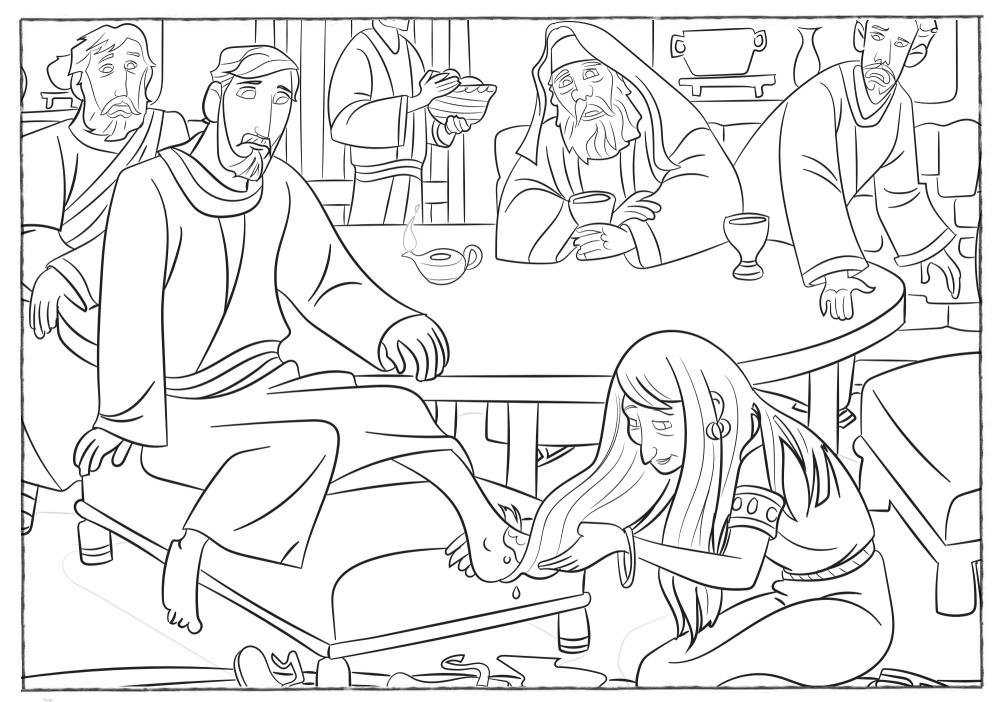
FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

- Why was it OK for Mary to use expensive oil to anoint Jesus?
- What was the problem with selling the oil to give money to the poor?
- How can we worship Jesus?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

• Make scented oil with your kids. Warm fragrant herbs and citrus zest in almond oil over low heat for 5 minutes. Transfer the mixture to a lidded jar and let sit for 24 hours. Strain out remaining particles.

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"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed."

Luke 4:18

