

The Honored Prince (John 12:1-26)

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Introduction

We will not meet April 20 or 27

Background

The Anointing at Bethany (12:1–8)

¹ So Jesus, six days before Passover, came to Bethany, where Lazarus was (who had died, the one He had raised from *among* the dead ones).

² So they prepared a dinner for Him there, and Martha was serving. Now Lazarus was one of those reclining *at the table* with Him.

³ So Mary, having taken a pound of pure and costly oil of nard, anointed Jesus' feet and wiped His feet with her hair. So the house was filled by the fragrance of the oil.

⁴ So one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's son who was about to betray Him said,

⁵ "Why was not this fragrant oil sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?"

⁶ Now he did not say this, because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief, held the purse, and used to pilfer *coins* tossed into *it*.

⁷ So Jesus said, "Let her be. She has kept this for the day of My burial.

⁸ "For you • always have the poor with yourselves •, but you • do not always have Me."

The Plot to Kill Lazarus (12:9–11)

⁹ So a large multitude of Judeans knew that He was there. Now they came, not only because of Jesus, but so they might also see Lazarus, whom He had raised from *among* the dead ones.

¹⁰ However, the chief priests decided to kill Lazarus also,

¹¹ because many of the Judeans were departing and believing in Jesus on account of him.

Palm Monday (12:12–19)

¹² On the next day a large multitude that had come to the feast (when they heard that Jesus was entering Jerusalem)

¹³ took palm branches and went out to meet Him. And they were shouting,
“«Hosanna. Blessed *be* He who comes in *the* name of *the* Lord,» *the* King of Israel.”

¹⁴ Now having found a young donkey, Jesus mounted it, as it is written, ¹⁵ «Fear not, Daughter of Zion. Look. Your King is coming, Mounted on a donkey’s colt.»

¹⁶ Now His disciples did not understand these *things* at first. However, when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these *things* had been written about Him and that they did these *things* for Him.

¹⁷ So the multitude— that had been with Him when He called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from *among* the dead ones— kept testifying.

¹⁸ Also the multitude met Him for this reason: because they heard that He had done this sign.

¹⁹ So the Pharisees said to one another, “Behold•, you• do not profit anything. Look. The world has gone after Him.”

Grecian Worshippers Want to Meet Jesus (12:20–26)

²⁰ Now some Greeks were of those who came up to worship at the feast. ²¹ So they approached Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, saying, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.”

²² Philip went and told Andrew, and again Andrew and Philip spoke to Jesus.

²³ In reply Jesus told them, “The hour for the Son of Man to be glorified has come.

²⁴ “Amen, amen, I tell you•, unless a grain of wheat (having fallen into the ground) dies, it remains alone. But if it dies, it bears a large yield *of grain*.

²⁵ “*One* who loves his *mortal* life will destroy it, and *one* who hates his *mortal* life in this world will guard it for everlasting life.

²⁶ “If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me, and where I am, there My servant will be also. And if anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him.”

Conclusion