**"Lavishly Love"**

*Mark 14: 1 - 11*

1. Reread vv. 1 - 2.  The Jewish leaders were unwilling to relinquish their position of power to the new King, Jesus, so they purposed to eliminate Jesus.  Is it hard or easy for you to let your need for position go?  What purification needs to take place in your heart as you accept positions of authority?  How willing are you to exhibit Christian servant leadership in your school, job, or church, by sacrificing for those under your authority, even to the point of giving your life for them?

2.  Reread vv. 3 - 9.  What are some practical ways that you can lavishly love Jesus today?  Is there a unique opportunity God wants you to lavishly love today or in this season of life, that you might not have for much longer (eg - share the gospel with someone who may not have much longer to live, spend time with someone)?  Are there unique opportunities to lavishly love this summer and what might they be?

3.  Reread vv. 10 - 11 and compare and contrast Judas with the chief priests and scribes in vv. 1 - 2 and the woman in vv. 3 - 9.  Notice their movements to or away from Jesus and their intentions and actions toward Jesus.  Judas may have chosen to be on the side of the Jewish leaders, who looked like they would retain temporal, outward power.  How can you leave behind the immediate, unlike Judas, and seek the eternal?  Is there someone that you can personally message or invite to join in on a small group, worship service or Christian gathering this next week?  Someone with whom you can plant seeds of the gospel?