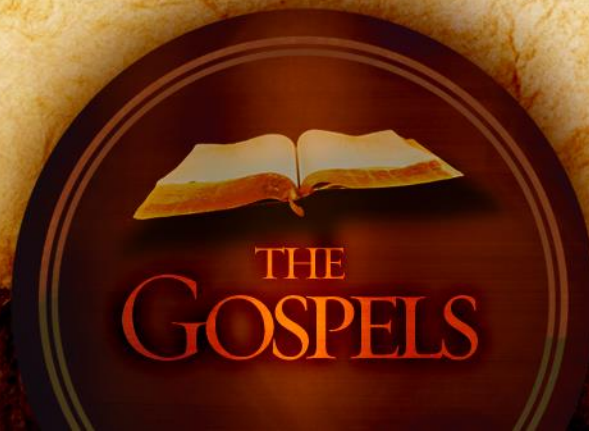




# JOHN

*Light of the World*







## INTRODUCTION

1. What should devotion to Jesus Christ look like in the lives of God's blood bought (redeemed) people?
2. Mary, Martha, and Lazarus —two sisters and a brother— are “representative people” who exemplify the quality of devotion that ought to characterize God's redeemed (blood bought) people.





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Mount of Olives

Bethphage

Bethany





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4. Do not allow your interests to push God's interests to a back corner of your life. See Phil. 2:20-21



## PHILIPPIANS 2:20-21

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"I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy to you soon, that I also may be cheered when I receive news about you. I have no one else like him, who takes a genuine interest in your welfare. For everyone looks out for his own interests, not those of Jesus Christ."





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“The two chief personages in the account are Mary and Judas. The contrast between them is striking. Mary was the embodiment of self-sacrifice; Judas, of selfishness. Mary expressed her feeling in a costly gift; Judas, by cheap sarcasm. Mary took the place of a servant of Jesus; Judas constituted himself a critic. Mary possessed spiritual discernment when she anointed Jesus’ body for burial (7). Evidently she had a sympathetic insight into His mind, and felt intuitively that He could not be with them long. Judas exhibited lack of tact that was amazing in a man naturally as astute as he when he said, ‘Why was not this ointment sold for three hundred shillings, and given to the poor? (5) Mary, of all Jesus’ friends, has been remembered for her loyalty. Judas was the one disciple who has been universally anathematized as a traitor.”

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2. Mary sat at Jesus' feet and heard His word.
3. She had seen Jesus' mighty power in raising her brother, Lazarus, and was deeply grateful.





What is Mary saying to us today?

- A. Give Him your best.
- B. Give Him your self.



## ROMANS 12:1-2

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"Therefore, I urge you, brothers, **in view of God's mercy**, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will."