

Come and See: Broken and Poured Out
John 12:1-8
(Matthew 26:6-13; Mark 14:1-9)

What "Story" Would We Leave Telling?

A "Judas" Story?

- A story of life that tries to use God for self-interested pursuits
 - ...Judas wanted to force Jesus into his story
 - ...Judas wanted to use Jesus to be successful
- His story ended with great loss and disappointment
 - ...enchanted but never changed!

A "Mary" Story?

- A story of loving faith that is godlike in its lavishness
 - ...extravagant, unbridled, unself-conscious living
 - ...a willingness to spend and to be spent - II Cor 12:15
- A story of being willing to be broken and poured out

A "Lukewarm" Story?

- A story so explainable that we ridicule the unexplainable
 - ...so self-satisfied we are embarrassed at self-expenditure
 - ...we may serve but with reserve
- A story of being safe rather than sacrificial
 - ...a story of boredom and mediocrity

Judas wanted a success story; the disciples a safe story; Mary's was a story of extravagant love.

What's your story?