

SESSION 5

THE GLORY OF THE IMPOSSIBLE: CALVARY, PENTECOST, & JESUS' INHERITANCE

I. WORTHY OF EXTRAVAGANCE

- A. Mary of Bethany shatters her alabaster jar and Judas Iscariot immediately accuses her of waste ([Matthew 26:8](#))
 - 1. Similar to the general reaction to John Allen Chau's death in 2018
- B. Although Judas was able to convince the other disciples in his thinking, Jesus immediately rebukes this and vindicates Mary of Bethany ([Matthew 26:10-13](#))
- C. The controversy of John Allen Chau's death confronts us with Jesus
- D. Mary of Bethany seems to understand something that the rest of the disciples do not: Jesus is going to die and He's worth everything ([Matthew 26:1-13](#))
- E. If you believe that Jesus is Lord, when He says, "go tell everyone my name" we must not be offended by practical extravagance

II. JESUS' INHERITANCE

- A. "I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which He has called you, the riches of His glorious inheritance in His holy people" ([Ephesians 1:15-21](#))
- B. "Ask of me and I will give you the nations for your inheritance" ([Psalm 2:8](#))
 - 1. The nations are coming against God and He simply laughs (v. 1-4)

III. A BRIDE MADE READY

- A. Jesus will not be unequally yoked; His bride will be made ready ([Revelation 19:7](#), [Romans 5](#))
- B. Gifts are given for the maturity of the church ([Ephesians 4](#))
- C. The glory of God will be put on display through the Church ([Ephesians 2, 3](#))
- D. We cannot be a ready, mature bride until we walk what He walked ([Ephesians 3](#))
 - 1. We will learn obedience through the things that we suffer
- E. There is no freedom in wisdom from below, there is complete freedom in wisdom from above ([James 3:13-18](#))
- F. We will never meet the Lord and regret carrying our cross