

1) How much is Jesus worth to you?

a) To some he is worthless. They torture him. (1-5)

How can a position of religious leadership make you feel like Jesus is a threat?

Do you hold positions of influence with an open hand or do you fight to eliminate anyone (even God) who may attempt to remove it?

God used the most wicked act in human history for the greatest good. Is it hard for you to believe God is in control when wicked men sinfully plot against him? Do you have a rock solid belief that God is working everything, even wicked things, together for the good of those who love him? What wickedness do you see now that you have to trust the goodness of God to redeem?

Are you surprised when religious people oppose you for identifying with Christ? Should we expect to be treated better than Jesus?

The religious leaders fought to avoid the wrath of Rome but, in turn, received the wrath of God. Do you fear man more than God? What have you compromised in order to gain the approval of men while losing the approval of God?

b) To some he is worth everything. They treasure him. (6-13)

How would you describe the attitudes of those who were in Simon's house? Simon, the former leper; Lazarus, the former dead guy; Martha, and Mary? Why do you think they loved Jesus so much?

How was their experience different from Judas?

Your worship is a beautiful thing to Jesus. What prevents you from pouring out everything you value to Jesus?

What treasures compete for your worship? How does your life prove that you treasure Jesus above all?

c) To some he is worth little. They trade him. (14-25)

Betrayal is the reversal of loyalty when something perceived to be of more value is found. Betrayal begins when you begin to believe others can give you more than Jesus.

Do you use Jesus as a commodity trading him for something you value more?

What is your price to sell out Jesus? Popularity? Comfort? Sexual favors? Money?

2) How much is my forgiveness worth to Jesus?

The Passover feast was the reminder to God's people that the Lord will either pass over your sin in mercy or pass through your life in judgment. How easily do you forget the importance of the blood of Jesus, the Lamb of God?

a) Worth the breaking of his body. (26)

b) Worth the pouring out of his blood. (27-29)

How seriously do you take the elements of the Lord's Supper? Has it become routine for you? Is it an act of worship or just a religious tradition?

How significant is it to you that Jesus intentionally poured out his blood rather than accidentally spilled? What does this say about the value he places on your forgiveness?

Additional Scripture

- John 10:17-18
- Romans 8:28
- Matthew 16:24-26
- 2 Sam. 24:24
- Exodus 12
- Jeremiah 31
- Romans 5:8-9