

The Final Week

Lesson aim: To examine events from the last week of Jesus' life on earth.

Arrival at Bethany--Jn. 11:55-12:1

1. *What does Jesus' appearance in Jerusalem even while there were death-threats against Him tell us about Him?*

Mary's anointing of Jesus for burial--Mt. 26:6-13; (Mk. 14:3-9; Jn. 12:2-11)

1. *What qualities did Mary demonstrate in the anointing of Jesus' feet?*

Triumphal entry into Jerusalem--Mt. 21:1-11, 14-17 (Mk. 11:1-11; Lk. 19:29-44; Jn. 12:12-19)

1. *Did Jesus deliberately fulfill a Messianic prophecy here? What prophecy is fulfilled and what claim would Jesus be making by fulfilling it?*
2. *Did Jesus accept worship on this occasion? What does this tell us about him?*

Cursing of the fig tree having leaves but no figs--Mt. 21:18-19 (Mk. 11:12-14)

1. *Why did Jesus curse the fig tree? What lesson did He teach us by this action?*

Second cleansing of the Temple--Mt. 21:12-13 (Mk. 11:15-18; Lk. 19:45-48)

- 1. Why did Jesus cleanse the temple?*
- 2. Was this the first time He had done something like this?*

Request of some Greeks and the necessity of the Son of Man's being lifted up--Jn. 12:20-36

- 1. What things did Jesus teach would be accomplished through His death?*

Departure from the unbelieving multitude and Jesus' response--Jn. 12:36-50

- 1. Why did the Jews as a whole reject Christ? Had the prophets foreseen this?*
- 2. Can one believe in Jesus, but not be saved?*
- 3. Summarize the points of Jesus' last appeal to the masses to believe in Him.*

Withered fig tree and the lesson on faith--Mt. 21:19-22 (Mk. 11:19-26)

- 1. What lesson about faith does the withered fig tree teach?*